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Things in General.

THE town of Napanee does not, I believe, undertake to defend the conduct of every person who cheered on the streets of that place on Friday night of last week, but desires to file a strong protest and make some explanations. In the first place it is claimed that a very little row was magnified into a very big one by the despatches in the newspapers, and the reading of the Riot Act fitted in with any wild tale of lawlessness that might be telegraphed outside or imagined by outsiders. The town council of Napanee met on Monday evening, and appear to be strongly of the opinion that it is a body that should have some thing to say in regard to the matter, for certainly they say what they think with rare pointedness. If the Riot Act was read as a practical joke, the town council of Napanee fails to relish the jest; and it denies the necessity for reading it. Perhaps the town council has no right to criticize the course pursued; but it has done so. According to the Globe the resolution adopted by the council "avers that while the crowd was in peaceful occupation of the street and was not in any way acting in a disorderly manner the Act was read without any cause or reason for so . The statement that Mr. Justice Ferguson was mobbed is characterized as untrue." According to all the Toronto daily papers the resolution concludes as follows:

"We do declare our disapproval of the reading of said Act, and wish to place on record that the reading of the Riot Act under the alleged circumstances under which it was read, was not a necessary proceeding, and was entirely uncalled for, and in the judgment of this municipal body, was a very unwise and

If the Crown held that there was a necessity for reading the Riot Act the evident humor of the multitude must have given rise to apprehensions. It may be well to remember that this trial followed close on the heels of a political bye-election; it was into a disturbed constituency that the court went, and the town was not in its normal condition to begin with. The people as a whole were absolutely positive as to Ponton's innocence; evidence against him only made them angry, for this evidence was regarded as the joint manufacture of Pinkerton detectives and the two crooks who in turn entered the witnessbox and sat there in full view, villainous, repulsive, swearing to that which gave promise of helping their own carcasses out of danger-this was, I say, the determined feeling of the spectators. Nothing served to up-root it. They were secure in the belief that the court, however patiently it might listen to the tales spun by the two crooks, would conclude by declaring their evidence unbelievable. They were not prepared for anything else, and His Lordship's charge to the jury contained a surprise that upset them. This explains, if it does not excuse, any tumult of feeling that manifested itself. Public faith in everybody and in everything disappeared for a time that night-which was very wrong, but very human.

Although it is affirmed that no indignity was offered Mr. Justice Ferguson, and that the Riot Act was never read in Canada on such trifling provocation, it must be admitted that any demonstration against a justice of the High Court of Justice in the discharge of his duty is necessarily one of the most dangerous and reprehensible of occurrences and not to be tolerated for one n.oment in a country that justly prides itself on the probity of its judges and the patient confidence in court processes that distinguishes its people. The state of popular feeling that makes it even seem necessary to supply a judge with an escort, is not far removed from the lawlessness that in parts of the United States seizes accused persons and lynches them without trial. All sensible people must concede that any public demonstration whatever against a judge must be at once repressed with a vigor that takes no account of the degree of ntempt displayed or violence offered. There must be none of it to-day, or who shall guarantee that there will not be a calamitous abundance of it to-morrow? It is a danger that cannot be paltered with.

Mackie was found guilty by the jury and sentenced by Mr. fustice Ferguson to ten years in the penitentiary. Against him there was testimony apart from that of the two professional burglars, and this must have weighed with the jury. The two crooks claimed to have put up at his brother's hotel in Belleville, and this was not clearly disproven; witnesses testified to seeing him in their company; the French women, his sisters-in-law, gave testimony which, if believed, would satisfy the jury of his guilt; the Mix father and son; the young Indian, Hill; the man who brought a message from one Roach in Kingston to Mackie-these witnesses gave evidence that the jury accepted.

Ten jurors favored the acquittal of W. H. Ponton, the other two favored conviction; sent back to try again, the dissenting two held their ground, and the jury was dismissed. Mr. Ponton s to have another trial; bail was fixed at \$10 000 and promptly put up by two leading citizens of Belleville. The Crown decided that the trial of Pare and Holden-or the sentencing of them, for their trial can be but a formality-would be postponed until the next trial of Mr. Ponton. If these men were sen tenced now, there is probably no telling what they would say at the next trial of the accused bank clerk. Moreover, as their punishment will, as is the custom in such cases, be measured by the value and truthfulness of their evidence, they must abide the test of another appearance in court. The sardonic Pare, the sullen Holden have been re-placed in the jail at Napanee; Mackie has been taken to Kingston Penitentiary; Mr. Ponton has returned to his home in Belleville. Here the case stands for the

Stirring as were the descriptions in some of the daily papers of the scenes in Napanee and Belleville when young Pontor made his appearance, I am told that the scenes have not been scribed. As he was being driven from the jail to the railway station at Napanee he found the streets almost blocked with men, women and children, who cheered him on and expressed their faith in him and their enthusiasm for him. At Belleville five or six hundred people met him at the railway station-not curiosity-hunters, but largely people of substance and merit, firmly, unalterably convinced that this young man did not do this thing. After all, are not the people the final authority, the real jury that brings in the verdict? When the people among whom a man lives, among whom he has lived nearly all his life, who have met him early and late, sick and well, hungry and fed, in business and in pleasure, rise up as one man and declare him incapable of a crime imputed to him, it is a most rare and significant certificate of character, and one which very few could command. I do not wish to be misunder. stood. I have already expressed my views upon the conduct of those who showed disrespect to the Crown in this case. Yet a jury has a voice in court simply because it is a fragment of the same people to whom the accused person belongs. It has no other claim to existence but this. These twelve men, once sworn in, may represent all the people, and the remaining twelve hundred, twelve thousand or twelve million may have no status in court whatever, and they may seem to shout in vain. But their verdict such as it is unanimous, hoarse, irresponsible. unsolicited, unreasoning, reached by a short cut, and apparently of no use to anybody-is a mighty comfortable thing for a man to have by him. After all, public opinion is the jury that sits mmortal; kings only are mortal." All of which sounds comforting enough for a person who is not on trial.

turn, and recognizing the fact that an exhausting legal fight has already taken place and that another will follow, they are subscribing towards the defence fund. It is proposed to contribute one thousand dollars in this way as an evidence of the faith reposed in the young bank clerk. Mr. F. P. Douglas, Napanee, is treasurer of the local committee, and in writing me

about it says that outsiders who, realizing that important principles are involved in this case, desire to contribute to the fund, may do so through him, and that their letters will be acknowledged at once. One citizen of Napanee began the fund will be no difficulty in raising the amount, yet many of our readers will probably consider it a privilege to be represented in this testimonial, which will serve the purpose of guaranteeing a thorough and able defence when the case comes up again.

Any reader of this paper who, having followed the case from the start, and knowing how very expensive these great trials are, with scores of witnesses and experts and famous lawyers,

THE friends of W. H. Ponton in Napanee are of a practical so much and performing so little can have the effrontery to put himself up for re-election, but he has probably learned that the less he actually does the less objectionable he thereby makes selves tossed aside as of no account, while things become himself in influential quarters. Those who are influential are generous enough to permit a candidate to threaten and storm to his heart's content so that he but spends himself on the stump and carries none of his energy on into the Council chamnor their kind never controlled. Mr. Carnegie, like many ber. Year after year we have seen this in Toronto. When December arrives each year we have an astonishing upheaval that throws into prominence men never seen nor heard of during the other eleven months of the year. Their names are in every with a cheque for fifty dollars, and in a few minutes the amount had risen by small sums to nearly two hundred. There at you from every public place—insignificant persons who ess no ability nor capacity for doing anything, or for thinking anything, or for wisely understanding anything; they have be hind them no following whatever, but all they require in order to get into the running is that two citizens-perhaps in jestshall place each name on a nomination paper. They seldom get elected, but year after year drag along in the tail of the procession, making the contest ridiculous, causing suitable men to shun feels that the accused person should not be overborne at last | it, yet getting even from ignominious defeat a publicity and a

those years-recurring now and then-in which the men who inextricably confused and settle down in new and undreamt of forms and combinations; then these frail human flies flit back nor their kind never controlled. Mr. Carnegie, like many sees only trouble ahead and dramatically asks if there is any bad thing that any one can think of that is not now threatened as a result of success in the recent war.

HE Conference at Washington seems to be shaping around as if it might possibly do something before it gets through. This is a contingency that very few of us foresaw. It was nerally felt in Canada that the Conference might be a success socially and a benefit to the extent that a better feeling would be established between Washington and Ottawa, but that a treaty would result, or that outstanding difficulties would be adjusted, was not seriously expected. United States Governments have heretofore always appeared to assume that Canadian Governments in entering into discussions on the tariff and other questions, were really driven to the point of surrender by the pressure of hard circumstances and inevitable destiny, and they stipulated for a surrender that would be just about as final as possible. It is a question whether the present moment is quite as opportune as some had supposed for an adjustment of difficulties, for the feeling of cordiality towards the British Empire which now moves in the people of the republic may be just a little less than the pride of strength that now swells their veins. Whatever Lord Her-schell may expect I am of the opinion that the Canadian representatives at the Conference-with their experience to guide them-will only expect to find Uncle Sam cordial enough to accept anything he can get, but not wrought up to such a hot passion of friendliness as to give away anything of his own. Whenever Uncle Sam trades horses he needs a new stall in his We all know him fairly well and we can but hope that the desire for results may not lead our representatives into making such a horse trade as will reveal them walking home carrying the empty harness on their shoulders.

THE German Emperor in his message to the Reichstag "halled with firm approval the Czar's magnanimous proposal" for the maintenance of peace. The German budget, however, provides for these ordinary expenditures: Army, 79,893,698 marks; navy, 30,431,500 marks; extraordinary expenses—army, 44,606,689 marks; navy, 33,879,000 marks. Including the 8 500,000 marks voted for the defence of Chinese ports, these sums make up one-third of the total revenue of Germany. It would appear, then, that Kipling, who sneered at the truce of the Bear, is not alone in his idea that the Czar's talk of peace is disquieting.

The Kaiser's strange pilgrimage to Jerusalem still provokes discussion, and the despatch telling of the deep disappointment which he confesses seized him on entering the Holy City, makes a subject for thought for serious people. He did not find the Jerusalem that he set out to see. The Christians make no impression on the Mohammedans because they are divided into hostile camps, and it is a strange thing that the strongest protest against this should come from the erratic German war ord, who, in a spirit of veneration, exclaims that these contending Christian factions "must be prevented, even by force, from quarreling with one another at this sacred spot." He says that the squalor and decay in Jerusalem are indescribable

DUSSIAN and French diplomats have pointedly denied the rumor that the European powers proposed to interfere in Spain's behalf at a critical period of the recent war, but were deterred by the firm refusal of Great Britain to countenance such a step. That anything of the kind occurred the French and Russian ministers at Washington denied, and these denials were allowed to go unchallenged by Great Britain. But that there was a real and substantial friendship on England's part, and a sure reliance on it on the part of the United States cannot be denied. Some light has been thrown on the attitude of the powers by Mr. W. T. Stead, who has just returned to London after a trip to all the Continental capitals, where he interviewed nearly all the leading statesmen and several rulers. He says :

Immediately after the war broke out a diplomatic representative of the powers communicated to the American Minister at an European court in plain and unmistakable terms the displeasure of the powers and their desire to express that displeasure publicly and forcibly. These communications were sufficiently serious for the contingency of the use of the allied forces of the European nations for the coercion of the United States to be frankly discussed between the two diplomatists. The result of that discussion was to put a summary stop to all notion of European intervention.

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Yes," rejoined his visitor, "and the forces of the great European powers, acting in alliance, would overwhelm any opposition which America could offer."

"No doubt," said the American, "but you would have to bring forces across the Atlantic to the other hemisphere and keep them there for the rest of your natural life. The new world is not going to submit to the old world any more. No, sir; not any more than it submitted a century since, when the odds were far worse.

"And remember," he added, as a clincher, "that when you were hurrying your armies and your navies across three thousand miles of sea to fight America you would have to count with England, who is certainly not friendly to your enterprise."

This put an extinguisher on the proposal. Nothing more was heard of the contemplated intervention. It never got so far as to be submitted to England. The whole design was checked at the very outset by the calm audacity with which the representative of America played his cards in leading the trump card of the Anglo-American entente, which henceforth will play a leading part in all the dealings of the English-speaking people with their jealous and suspicious neighbors.

I am very glad to be able to set forth the actual facts as they actually happened. They were told me at first hand by the person most immediately concerned, and you can absolutely rely upon the accuracy of the above statement.

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Although Mr. Stead seems to be a self-appointed investigatorat-large, yet as he conducts his operations on a large scale, not deigning to interview any public man whose rank is beneath that of a premier, nor any noble who is not a Royal Highness, he has almost come to be regarded on the Continent as one of the first-class Powers of Europe. It may be presumed that Russia and France hesitate in regard to any project to question how Great Britain, Germany and Stead will view the proceeding. But we must take Europe as we find it, and Mr. Stead is in Europe. We may regard the statement he makes as authentic, for he probably secured information from a Royal Highness that induced him to see an "American Minister." If any lesser person than Mr. Stead had offered us this story, however, we might doubt it, for it implies that an "American" abroad and alone, bearded the powers of Europe, carried off a high bluff, has been chuckling over it for months, yet did cable the whole story to the New York papers and get his name put up for President. But Mr. Stead is the greatest of interviewers and his statement is no doubt correct. There is, therefore, somewhere in Europe a reticent "American" who holds circumspect views of the duty he owes to his official position. It will probably be found necessary to identify this person and bring him home to



THE LARBOARD WATCH.

From a drawing by C. Krohg.

because of financial exhaustion, should remit something to the | degree of honor that they do not deserve. Have not these perfund started in Napanee.

O man can reach any degree of prominence without having anecdotes coupled with his name, and some very interesting ones are related of people we all know. County Judge Macdougall, in charging the grand jury on Tuesday, referred to the reading of the Riot Act at Napanee, and said that Mr. Justice Ferguson was the kind of man who would not flinch if a pistol were put to his ear. He certainly enjoys the reputation of being one of the last men in the world to be intimidated or influenced by clamor. In the clubs a story is told of Mr. Justice Ferguson in his younger days, and while nobody vouches for its truth, nobody doubts it. He went out gold mining to California, and, securing a claim in the regular way, began work. One day he was digging in his shaft when a burly miner came over, looked down at him, and ordered him to get out. "This is claim, and if you don't get out -... It was quite clear that the miner intended to seize the claim, so young Ferguson, docilely remarking that he did not wish to deprive any man of his claim held up his hand for the other to help him out of the shaft. The story goes that old miners still tell of what happened to that bully once young Ferguson got on level ground with him, and a oments later the future Justice of the High Court was around the edge making remarks. The miner admitted that he

THIS is the month set apart for the humbugging of the people. comes around. One marvels that an alderman after promising where it will really lead to. This appears to have been one of captains and lieutenants

had been in error.

sons been tolerated long enough in this considerable city? Toronto should begin to improve on the practical jokes that are played in rural places every nomination day. The men with bees in their bonnets should be dropped in the various wards of the city. The joke begins to pall.

R. ANDREW CARNEGIE, whose literary style seems to have undergone as decided a change as if he had secured a new private secretary, is writing busily to the magazines and newspapers, pointing out what he thinks should be the policy of the United States in regard to the islands wrested from Spain. He is deeply impressed with the danger of attempting to do anything not provided for in the "constitution," and urges that the Philippines particularly should be reorganized on ne simple basis of popular rule and quickly set adrift to enjoy in full the blessing of freedom. Mr. Carnegie's insistence on his was somewhat difficult to understand until the other day, when a letter of his in the New York Post revealed that which was working in his mind. The acquisition of the Philippines reopens, he says, the silver question, "from which we have just been congratulating ourselves we are free." Silver is the basis of currency in the Philippines, and it is feared that those islands will confront the republic with a dilemma that India has been quietly digging away again in his shaft, with nobody standing around the edge making remarks. The miner admitted that he United States could not hold Cuba and the Philippines without altering her habits of life, are seeing signs daily indicating that those babits must be almost revolutionized. The Eastern question must now be, partly, States manlike policies, good ideas, glimmerings of sense, and fads to no end are brought out during the month of diplomats. She must, somehow, empower ambassadors to make her question. She must raise up, at careful cost, a body of forever and brings in verdicts on everything. As Heine, or somebody else, puts ir, "The people have time enough, they are newspapers, on platforms and on street corners until polling proval of Congress or Senate. The republic has, indeed, rare among a people whose admirals and generals find it necessary to determ the found a school of diplomacy at Washington, for his qualities are newspapers, on platforms and on street corners until polling day, and then dropped and forgotten until the next December | plunged off along a new road and nobody can begin to prophesy | sary to defend themselves in the press against the criticisms of

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The Court House at Napanee



W. H. Ponton

Will of Peter the Great.

The Alleged Policy of Russia.

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the will of Peter the Great, described in the Memoires de la rallere d'Eon as a "plan for compassing European supremacy," left its successors, and deposited in the archives of the palaces of rhoff, near St. Petersburg. It advocated "approach as near as ble to Constantinople and towards the Indies, wars with Turkey Zersia, possession of the shores of the Black Sea and the Baltic," The existence of the will denied by the Czarsi was first announced. Lesur in his Proges de la Puissance Russe, published at Paris in In 1885 Dr. Berkholz of Riga asserted that the will was a forgery, ably dictated by Napoleon I. Mr. W. J. Thoms, the antiquary, and s, contended for the genuineness of the will as recently as June,

N the name of the Most Holy and Indivisible Trinity, we, Peter the Great, unto all our descendants and successors to the throne and government of the Russian

"The All Powerful, from whom we hold our life and our throne, after having revealed unto us His wishes and intentions, and after being our support, permit us to look upon Russia as called upon to establish her rule over all Europe. This idea is based upon the fact that all the nations of this portion of the globe are fast approaching a state of utter decrepitude. From this it results that they can be easily conquered by a new race of people when it has attained full power and strength. We look upon our invasion of the West and the East as a decree of Divine Providence which has already once regenerated the Roman Empire by an invasion of barbarians.

The emigration of menfrom the North is like the inundation of the Nile, which at certain seasons enriches with its waters the arid plains of Egypt. We found Russia a small rivulet, we leave it an immense river. Our successors will make of it an ocean, destined to fertilize the whole of Europe, if they know how to guide its waves. We leave them, then, the following instructions, which we earnestly recommend to their constant

1. To keep the Russian nation in constant warfare, in order always to have good soldiers. Peace must only be permitted to remit the finances. To recruit the army, choose the moment favorable for attack. Thus peace will advance your projects of war, and war those of peace, for obtaining the enlargement and prosperity of Russia.

2. Draw unto you, by all possible means, from the civilized nations of Europe, captains during war and learned men during peace-so that Russia may benefit by the advantages of other

3. Take care to mix in the affairs of all Europe, and in particular of Germany, which, being the nearest nation to you, deserves your chief attention.

Divide Poland by raising up continual disorders and jealousies within its bosom. Gain over its rulers with gold;

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influence and corrupt the diet, in order to have a voice in the election of the kings. Make partizans and protect them; if neighboring powers raise objections and opposition, surmount the obstacle by stirring up discord within their countries.

5. Take all you can from Sweden; and, to effect this, isolate her from Denmark, and vice versa. Be careful to rouse their

6. Marry Russian princes with German princesses; multiply there alliances; unite these interests; and, by the increase of our influence, attach Germany to our cause.

7. Seek the alliance with England, on account of our com-merce, as being the country the most useful for the development of our navy (merchants, etc.), and for the exchange of our produce against her gold; keep up continued communica-tions with her merchants and sailors, so that ours may acquire experience in commerce and navigation.

. Constantly extend yourselves along the shores of the Baltic nd borders of the Euxine.

9. Do all in your power to approach closely Constantinople and India. Remember that he who rules over these countries is the real sovereign of the world. Keep up continued wars with Turkey and Persia. Establish dockyards in the Black Sea. Gradually obtain the command of this sea, as well as of the This is necessary for the entire success of our projects. Hasten the fall of Persia. Open for yourselves a route towards the Persian Gulf. Re-establish as much as possible, by means of Syria, the ancient commerce of the Levant, and thus advance towards India. Once there, you will not require English gold.

10. Carefully seek the alliance of Austria. Make her believe that you will second her in her projects for dominion over Germany, and secretly stir up the jealousy of other princes against her, and manage that each be disposed to claim the assistance of Russia; and exercise over each a sort of protection which will lead the way to future dominion over them

11. Make Austria drive the Turks out of Europe, and neutraher jealousy by offering to her a portion of your conquests, which you will further on take back.

12. Above all, recall around you the schismatic Greeks, who are spread over Hungary and Poland; become their center and support—as universal dominion over them, by a kind of sacerdotal rule (autocratic sacerdotale); by this you will have many

friends amongst your enemies. 13. Sweden dismembered, Persia conquered, Poland subugated, Turkey beaten, our armies united, the Black and Baltic Seas guarded by our vessels, prepare separately and secretly, first the Court of Versailles, then that of Vienna, to share the empire of the universe with Russia. If one accept, flatter her ambition and amour propre, and make use of one to crush the other, by engaging them in war. The result cannot be doubtful; Russia will be possessed of the whole of the East, and of a great

portion of Europe. 14. If, which is not probable, both should refuse the offer of Russia, raise a quarrel between them, and one which will ruin them both. Then Russia, profiting by this decisive moment, will inundate Germany with the troops which she will have assembled beforehand. At the same time two fleets full of soldiers will have the Baltic and the Black Sea, will advance along the Mediterranean and the Ocean, keeping France in check with one, and Germany with the other. And these two countries conquered, the remainder of Europe will fall under

Thus can Europe be subjugated.'

An Editor Who Can Do Something.

The Napanee bank robbery trial would have been made famous by the evidence given for the defence by one witness if the trial bud yielded nothing else to attract public interest. This witness went on the stand and swore that he could open any safe, and that he

could open the aver-

editor and proprietor

ARTHUR GRAVELLE

age safe in from three to fifteen minutes. Holding a lock in his hands, he showed bers which will open on two of these; and that similarly there tions of four numbers three. The four numbers on which Pare said the bank safe of the robbery helonged to this class, the witness said, and he illustrated the fact on the lock by opening it with three. This witness was Arthur W. Gravelle,

of the Renfrew Jour ial. He may be set down as the editor who not only writes of what other people do, but can do something himself. I had two or three conver sations with him in Napanee during the first week of the trial, when he was waiting with subdued impatience for the Crown to conclude its case, so that he might give expert testimony and

get back to his Journal. At that time it was the practice of newspaper men ar detectives to treat his claims-not his claims, either, for he did not talk-as preposterous and quite amusing.

'If he can open a safe without knowing the combination why don't he accept the standing offer of the safemakers and earn that \$5,000?" said one of the Pinkerton men to me.

"Well, he can earn that \$5,000 in about eleven minutes," said a by-stander. "I saw him open a safe in Peterboro' one day, and he www.n't in the same room as the safe for more than fifteen

inutes." The detective smiled superior and moved away.

Mr. Gravelle I found to be a very silent person, and although I met him more than once he appeared to have no desire to say anything but to enquire when I supposed the case would be finished. In the office of the Paisley House he sat in an arm chair, remotely alone in the midst of a crowd, not even with the companionship of tobacco. A more isolated figure there was not in Naparee. He seemed quite satisfied with his own company, and after he had given his evidence the people were of opinion that his own company was quite distinguished. He nade a great sensation.

The defence wished to call witnesses to show that Mr Gravelle had opened certain safes without difficulty. This right was denied. Then the defence offered to have Mr. Gravelle taken downstairs in the Court House to the bank safe, which he would undertake to open in the presence of the judge and This offer was not accepted. It was thus practically con ceded that the editor of the Renfrew Journal can open a safe without knowing the combination.

"There are certain simple combinations on which nearly all safes are set," said Mr. Gravelle, "and one can nearly always find in a few minutes if one of these is in use. Others not quite so simple can be tried for, and if none of these are in use, then I begin with my system. Fhat system can never fail. The whole system, covering several million possible combinations, could be exhausted in nine hundred hours, but in three hours I can exhaust the first division of my system, and that will cover any ordinary case.

On an average there are fifty different combinations that will open a safe when set on certain numbers. The bank safe, if set on the numbers given by Pare, could be opened on about three thousand different sets of numbers. "Are you prepared to demonstrate that?" "I am," said Mr. Gravelle.

A most astonishing man is this country editor from Ren-

frew. When he says, "I am" prepared to demonstrate s mething, or "Yes," he can do something, he says it very quietly, but nobody could possibly doubt him. If he said in court that he could eat a safe and was prepared to do so, every body within sight and hearing would believe in his ability to do it. He is so quiet, slow, sure, in all he says and does—so clearly the master of his subject and of himself in relation to it, that to doubt him requires a distinct effort of the intellect.

What does it all mean? Are safes unsafe? It would seem so unless Mr. Gravelle is a wizard. If a country editor can open any combination-and almost any combination in fifteen minutes-why may not burglars do the same? Burglars are usually possessed of mechanical genius. Apparently the Crown in the Napanee case contended that geometry made Mr Gravelle's system possible, and that Pare was not shown to be a geometrician. But the question, "Is a safe a safe?" is sure to receive a great deal of discussion for some time to come.

A Colonial Club in London.

LONDON, November 15, 1898. The London Colonial Club bids fair to become the center of the best colonial interests in this country. At the annual meeting held on October 28 at the Hotel Cecil, with Sir Horace Tozer, K.C.M.G., in the chair, a resolution was passed empower ing the committee to seek suitable residential quarters for the Up to the present the meetings of this organization have been held in the Hotel Cecil and have taken the form of smokers, dances and dinners. As the membership, however, since the inception of the Club some three years ago, has now rolled up to nearly five hundred, the members naturally feel that the time has come to take a building and make it replete with all the comforts of a well appointed club, and creditable to the great colonial empire which in one sense will be focused there. At the present time there is no place in England where a Canadian can welcome his visiting friends or extend to them the courtesies of his club. That time, however, is now coming

Originally this Club comprised only those gentlemen concted with the different offices of the Colonial Commissioners in London, but it now includes the whole Colonial Empire. The governing body consist of a committee elected from the four following divisions of the Empire: Australasia, British America, British Africa and British Asia. The two former divisions elect four of the committeemen each, and the two latter two each. The British American members of the committee for the ensuing year are: Col. Willoughby Wallace, and Messrs. C. F. hands, he showed that there are certain mentioned is the librarian at the Canadian Commissioner's office and is one of the prime movers in the origin a gentleman than whom no one is better qualified to look after the interests of the great Dominion.

Sir Horace Tozer, the Agent General for Queensland, voiced are some combinathe idea of a permanent London Colonial Club. Sir Walter which will yield to Peace, Agent-General for Natal, and Dr. Cockburn, the Agent-General for South Australia, also backed up Sir Horace with suitable remarks. Our own Commissioner, Lord Strathcona, said the bank safe was unfortunately unable to be with us, as he was out of town, but his enthusiastic attitude on the question is well known.

The secretary of this organization is Mr. A. G. Berry, 15, Victoria street, Westminster, S.W. Mr. Berry is a genial 'down underer," and would be delighted to answer any enquiries. HAMAR GREENWOOD

Note—In this connection it might be remarked that all Canadian Clubs should have the right to introduce their members or those who are acceptable to them. It would be well to arrange the matter. Every one claiming to be a Colonial could not be admitted or it might be made a very queer collection. The idea is a good one and to be made successful should be carefully ha .dled.

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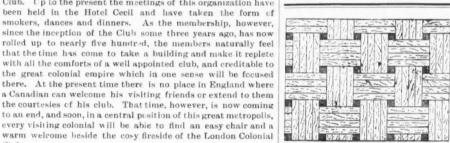
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TICTORIA conversazione on December 2 was, as usual, a well Lancashire. managed and much enjoyed re-union, and the magnificent was filled with a babel of talk, music, the sound of thousands of feet stepping demurely up and down the corridors; anon, hushed, while the excellent singing and other numbers of the concert were in progress, and then taking up the patter-patter as D'Alesandro began the promenade concert programme in the wide corridors. Merry-faced girls and student cavaliers investigated the domain of class-room and sanctum, trotted down for a cup of coffee and up again for the next partner at the chosen rendezvous. Visiting fair collegians lent greater interest to the affair. One knows just what a pleasant evening is spent each year at Victoria conversat., only this, year the committee and the faculty were ambitious to make it the very best on record and they fully realized their aim. The Chancellor and Mrs. Burwash, a very fine array of lady patronesses and many others interested in the success of the affair kept up the good name Victoria has gained as a hospitable col-lege. The decorations in the chapel, where the concert took place, were the contribution of Mrs. T. Eaton, a liberal patroness. The guests, one and all, declared the function most enjoyable.

Trinity College Athletic Association pre ceded Victoria on Thursday evening, Dec. 1, with their annual dance in Convocation Hall. There is always a concert, which is never very absorbing, for young folks are distracted with affairs of another sort during its progress. Dances are claimed and promised, programmes are filled, a general feeling of anticipation rules, and as soon as the last number is over chairs are stowed out of sight and the orchestra strikes up a waltz or a two-step. There was such a number of pretty girls at Trinity on Thursday night that one could be pardoned for being impatient to see them in the merry dance. Miss Gosling, all in black, with a touch of scarlet on the orsage, was very handsome; the Misses edged with black on all its fairy frills, were two distinctly lovely girls; Miss Flaws of Rose avenue in a very pretty white gown with insertions of black lace was much admired, so was Miss Bertha Macdougall of Carlton Lodge; Miss Strange, in a most becoming black gown, looked very handsome, her sweet expression has a peculiar charm. Miss Perrin was in white over yellow silk with pink trimmings and gold necklace. Mrs. Rigby, as usual the esteemed chape-rone of a bright group of St. Hildaites, was in dull green velvet with cream satin and lace. Mrs. Cameron and her sister, Miss Pechell, Miss Minnie Featherston-haugh in black and silver; Miss Zoe Short in pink silk; Miss Lamport in pink muslin and silk; Miss Playter in black and red; Miss Addie Johnson in white muslin with blue ribbons; Miss Clara Tomlinson in black; Miss Mamie Rackham of Peterboro' in a black English gown, beautifully trimmed with sequins; Miss Josie Monahan in white, and Miss Daisy in yellow; Miss Ethelinda Hughes in a pretty frock; Miss Stammers in black with apple green velvet trimmings and a bertha of beaded lace; Mrs. Leigh in pale blue brocade with cream lace; Mrs. William Clark in black grenadine over silk; Miss Mason, Miss Flo Vivian in red veiled in black, and Miss Ireland in pale blue, were some of the ladies present. And the usual goodly number of young men were the most devoted of cavaliers. Professor and Mrs. Clark kept open house in the Professor's library, and a constant succession of guests tapped on the old brown door. Professor Huntingford's cosy quarters were also the rendezvous for many friends, who enjoyed a dainty supper. The Professor's intimates missed the awesome presence of the heretofore inevitable bulldog. Orrie has recently followed Isaacs to the happy hunting grounds, and the Professor has not yet found their successor. The dance of last week was a very jolly one, being particularly a young folks' and collegians affair, as usual, and the final number on

unwilling to go home. The Graduates' Association of Parkdale Collegiate Institute gave their sixth annual At Home at St. George's Hall on December 2, which was well attended, and rejoiced in the kind patronage of the following ladies: Mesdames G. W. Ross, R. A. Pyne, Frank Denton, J. Ferguson, E. F. Clarke, J. F. Wismer, J. W. Mallon, L. E. Embree, W. L. Richardson and G. A. Smith.

the dance programme found them very

Society at the Capital.

Miss Marie Moreton, the reported fiances Khartoum, is the daughter of Hon. Richard Moreton and a niece of the present Earl of Ducie. In addition to being ex-tremely handsome, Miss Moreton possesses considerable wealth left her by her grandfather. Her father is the Marshal of Ceremonies at the Court of St. James, and her mother is a Ludy-in-Waiting to and a personal friend of H. R. H. the Duchess of Albany. As a child Miss Moreton spent some time at Rideau Cottage here, her father being for two years Comptroller of the Household to the Marquis of Lorne. Hon. Mrs. Moreton, who is of Grecian birth, is remembered by many in Ottawa as a very handsom woman.

The smart world wended its way on Saturday afternoon to the Racquet Court, where Colonel and Mrs. Percy Lake gave a dance, intended as a farewell to their hosts of friends in Ottawa. Becomingly attired in gray silk with a smart hat to match, Mrs. Lake received the stream of constant arrivals in the ante-room. Assisting Mrs. Lake were her husband and Mrs. A. Black, 57 King St. West Confederation Building, 8 Richmond St. East. N.W.T., who are in town to bid them

sail on December 15 for India, where the former rejoins his regiment, the East

Mrs. Hutton left on Monday for To-

who has been the guest of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Scott for the past fortnight, left for home on Friday. Hon. Mr. Dobell, Mrs. Dobell and Miss

Ottawa society.

Mrs. Gwynne has sent out cards for

Wednesday evening, when at a dance she will introduce her granddaughter, Miss

and Miss Agnes Davis left on Friday for

Miss Cotton of Prince Edward Island is among the many visitors in town at present. She is the guest of Miss Davies.

to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Keefer of Rockeliffe.

where he will remain until the spring.
Mrs. Joseph Pope and Miss Mary Scott

weeks. Miss Florence Randal, who so brightly edits the social column in the Ottawa

number of the Canadian Magazine. Mrs. Turner, wife of the United States

large dance in the Russell House. Wednesday last was a busy day for the votaries of Vanity Fair. In the after-noon Mrs. Berkeley Powell was the hostess at a charming tea, and in the evening Kilmington Place, the home of White, one in pale green with heliotrope ruchings, the other in canary mousseline of a very jolly dance—the first of a very jolly dance—the first one to be given this year. Miss Sparks, smartly gowned in gray satin, received her guests in the handsome drawing-room. The dining-room with its perfect floor of oak was used for dancing Downstairs supper was served at small tables, daintily arranged and supplied with delicacies. Mr. Sheriff Sweetland led the way to supper with Lady Sybil Beauclerk, gowned in white satin, embellished with flounces of rich lace. A number of very pretty girls made their debut at this dance, among others: Miss Daisy Bell, Miss Elsie Ritchie, Miss Henry, Miss Gwen Grant and Miss Iline

> In the National Academy of Design in New York, which opens next week, there Lady Mariory Gordon by Funck, the same artist who painted the portraits of Lord and Lady Aberdeen which hang in the ball-room at Government House. She is represented as having just returned from riding and in one hand is a whip, while the other arm holds a miniature Skye

good-bye. Colonel and Mrs. Percy Lake

building which gracest e northeast corner of the Queen's Park General and his A.D.C., Capt. Bell, are at present enjoying a moose hunt in the present enjoying a moose hunt in the wilds of New Brunswick.
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Mrs. Harry Fleming, one of Toronto's young matrons, is paying a lengthy visit

Mr. Reginald Beckett, Mrs. Dobell's nephew, sails on Wednesday for England,

returned on Tuesday from Washington, where they have spent the past three

Journal, contributes a very interesting article on Rideau Hall to the current

Consul-General, has issued invitations for Thursday week, when she will give a

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Social and Personal

THE only large dance this week, the bal poudre, given by the ladies of the Board of the Ladies' Work Depository in aid of that institution, took place last Tuesday even-ing at the Pavilion. The picturesque effect of powdered hair on the appearance of our young people was almost universal. a few golden-haired beauties, who realized their best points and refused to be unbecomingly coiffees, taking nothing from the general effect. The lady patronesses, with earnest and energetic Mrs. Hodgins at their head, honored the occasion by their presence, and formed a reception committee on the dais to receive their most distinguished guests. The Government House party included Miss Mowat, Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Mowat, Miss Biggar, Miss Fraser, Captain Herbert Mowat and Commander Law. Miss Mowat wore a pink satin gown, and with a touch of color and a dash of powder in her fluffy hair, looked exceedingly well. Mrs. Fred. Mowat's fine, dignified figure and clever face were distinctively dashing; she was in black, glistening with paillettes and lightened by a cluster of vivid cerise flowers on the corsage. Her coiffure was very becoming, a snowy wig, a la Pompadour. Miss Fraser wore a pale green satin, and her powdered hair suited her very well. A transformation was made in the case of Miss Biggar, the sweet young debutante, who looked ta petite Marquise to perfection with her dainty blue satin brocade, rouge, powder and coquettish patches. Colonel and Mrs. Otter brought their guest, Mrs. Hutton. Mrs. Otter wore a very rich green satin, with violets, and her hair powdered, I fancy by old Father Time alone, as were those two very dignified and handsome patronesses, Mr. Hardy and Mrs. Cosby. Mrs. Hodgins were silver gray and black brocade, a trained robe, and was, as always, most anxious that everyone should enjoy the social function in which she takes so kindly an interest. Mrs. Hutton wore a white gown, with blue velvet trinmings, and had no end of admiring glances. Another stranger was Miss Ap Jones of England, who wore a vivid blue silk gown with drapings of lovely old lace. Again another visitor was Miss Baby, also in blue silk with the Frenchiest and prettiest bodice, opening over filmy lace. Both at this dance and at Government House on Friday, Miss Baby was distinctly a belle. The Misses Bucke of New Orleans, two charming visitors with Mrs. Matthews in St. George street, and Miss Josette Prairie with Mrs. Magann, were most fetching and attractive in their pow der and patches. Mrs. Frank Arnoldi was one of the young matrons who chose black and proved how becoming is the dusky garb with a touch of color and powdered coiffure. Mrs. Hardy wore pink brocade, point lace and diamonds; Mrs. Sweny wore a dainty white satin; Mrs. Nordheimer, that lovely toilette of cobwebby black lace over white satin which is the admiration of everyone; Mrs. Melfort Boulton wore a very hand-ome gown of yellow brocade; Mrs. Chadwick wore eau de Nile silk, with soft ruchings of white mousseline; Mrs. Gooderham of Waveney wore black and violet brocade and a pompadour coiffure which looked very well. That radiant young dame, Mrs. Willie Brouse, was most beautifully dressed-a charming Stitt frock of Dresden silk, flounced with canary mousseline and lightly touched with turquoise velvet, set ff her bright face and smart coiffure. Mrs. Brouse, sr., was quietly gowned in mired, and that charming Ottawa girl, heliptrope and black; Miss Brouse was a Miss Powell, was besieged by partners dainty little poudree in pink; Mrs. J. Tolmie Craiz, always fair to see, looked Tolmie Craiz, always fair to see, looked numerous as could have been desired. Mrs. Campbell Macdonald wore pale blue, the wrists in shirred chiffon. Another black-gowned lady who looked handsome gauze over satin. Mrs. Allen Cassels was was Mrs. James Scott, and another yet, in white silk. Miss Carty wore blue

pale blue brocade, rare lace and jewels, and a very finely arranged coiffure, Mrs. W. H. Cawthra wore a very smart rose silk gown, with bodice of white strapped with rose color; Mrs. J. K. Kerr was in white brocade, with gold embroidery; Mrs. Percy Galt was very dainty in looking well and chaperoning their charmpink satin, and her sister, Miss Chadwick, in green silk and chiffon; Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Leverich, in black; Miss Cox, in white striped grenadine over pink silk; Miss Leverich, in a canary-yellow frock: Mis. George Hees, in rich black satin and lace; Miss Marion Wilkie, in pink satin and poudree; Mrs. W. C. Matthews, in yellow and black; Miss Matthews, in pink, very pretty in powder and patches; Mrs. Victor Cawthra, in turquoise moire, with her golden hair unpowdered; Mrs. Mitchell, in black and rose color; Miss Mitchell, a lovely poudree, in white and cerise; Mrs. Buchanau, in yellow brocade; Miss Zulu, a riante belle, in pink; Mrs. Kirkland, handsomely gowned in black, her debu-tante, Miss May, in satin and powder; Mrs. Barwick wore pale gray; Miss Small was very handsome in powder, which be comes her perfectly. Everyone admired Miss Georgie Crombie, who becomes her oudree to perfection. Mrs. G. Plunkett Magann wore pink brocade and touches of moss green. Her beautiful brown eyes and brunette complexion were never more attractive than with the snowy coiffure of Tuesday. "Who was the belle?" is a when seven hostesses held court, and one question taking a large answer. A visiting beauty, Miss Clara Wright of Port of the verdict. In bright rose silk, with ing, her beautiful young face framed in a powdered pompadour, and happy smiles coming and going on lips and in eyes, she The debutantes was indeed a beauty. were also favorites, Miss Somerville, Miss Dwight, the charming young people from Glenedyth, Miss Waldie, Miss Kirkland, with a leading star in Miss Bessie Bethune, who wore a white organdie, with insertions of fine lace, over a green slik frock. Her face recalled a portrait of one of the Court beauties made immortal by Sir Joshua Reynolds. Very arch and merry was Miss Birdie Warren, in a pale blue satin frock, and a pink rose in her hair; Miss Claire Geary was a graceful dancer in rose-pink mousseline over pink silk; Miss Edyth Jarvis wore pink satin, and petite Miss Lillian Lee was in green and black; Miss Erie Temple disputed with a brown-eyed beauty the claim of Toronto As each passed a group to the belledom. of admirers, the debutante, a picture of young loveliness, the dark eyed maid in a delicate frock of white embroidered chiffon over silk, cut in the very latest chic, and

daintily trimmed with tiny choux, and love-knots of baby ribbon, the hoaryheaded jury disagreed and were flouted. A handsome girl in pink was Miss Sullivan, granddaughter of Dr. Scadding of Trinity quare, and dainty Miss Daisy Boulton ooked well in a pink frock and powder. Mrs. W. D. Matthews were a magnificent pink brocade. Miss Melvin Jones was in black, sparkling with paillettes. Miss Harman wore a green mousseline, with white ribbons. A pretty little lady in pale green moire, with a band of ermine heading the circular flounce, was much ad when, sooth to say, partners were not so and Mrs. W. D. Warren was in a yellow veiled in rich black lace. Mrs. Hartley Dewart wore a very pretty white satin gown, and looked very well *poutree*. Miss Van Lennep of New York, who came with her sister, Mrs. W. D. Warren, wore a gown of gray satin. The music was extra good, and the floor not quite so slippery as at St. Andrew's, which was by some counted an advantage. Supper was served by Webb, and a light refre-hment buffet was running all the evening. Miss Mowat, Mr. Frank Arnoldi; Mrs. Hardy, Colonel Otter: Mrs. Hutton. Colonel Sweny: Mrs. Sweny, Mr. Barwick; Mrs. Otter, Captain Law: Mrs. Cosby, Sheriff Mowat; Mrs. Mowat, Mr. W. H. Cawthra; Mrs. Nordheimer, Colonel Cosby. The partners in the second set were: Mrs. Melfort Boulton, Mr. George C. Heward: Mrs. W. H. Cawthra, Mr. P. Manning: Mrs. Kirk-land, Mr. W. H. Bunting: Mrs. Chadwick, Mr. W. Kingsmill; Mrs. Somerville, Mr. Mintey; Mrs. Arnoldi, Mr. J. Moss; Mrs. Barierel, Mr. F. Drake ; Mrs. Hume Blake, Mr. S. Small. The stewards were Mr. W. H. Cawthra, Mr. Mintey, Mr. F.

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Blake. A stunning toilette was that of Mrs. Somerville of Athelstane; in who stayed to the last moment and en joyed the afternoon immensely. Mrs. Sloane, in her quiet black gown and beauwith sparkling eyes and graceful carriage, she was indeed a "married belle." tiful white lace, with her snowy hair under her widow's cap, is always the picture of motherly kindness, as well as a very handsome matron. Her sons and daughters have nothing to learn in the gentle art of hospitality, and are always a bright and happy group of young people yellow tinsel gauze over white silk; Mrs. Naturally their friends are well looked Crease and Mrs. Macbeth wore clack, each after, and lack nothing towards enjoy-Drawing room, great entrance inglittledaughters; Mrs. Grayson Smith, in hall and dining room were filled with the merry crowd, who discussed the various social functions of the month, the vazaries of the weather and the good things which loaded a huge table crowned with

Many visitors in town came with their ostesses to the various teas on Saturday, and were welcomed with sweet cordiality. I heard regretful words over the coming departure of Mrs. J. E. Thompson and Miss Amy as they passed through the crowd at Mrs. Sloane's tea. Mrs. Benjamin and her beautiful sister, Mrs. Frank Benjamin, were becomingly gowned, and everyone is glad to see the former able to be out again after her long illness. Space fails to enumerate the names of those whom one saw out on Saturday, some times meeting the same laughing faces over and over again in different drawingrooms, as many of the guests were known to the several hoste-ses and dropped in on each in turn. This makes a busy after-noon, though I think the record breaker of several seasons past still holds the when seven hostesses held court, and one was in Rosedale and another at Stanley Barracks, with the remaining five scat tered exasperatingly all over the magnificent distances of the Queen City!

The Clef Club had a very pleasant social eyening on Monday, when they met at Webb's. The leading musicians, and when they were happy Benedicts, their wives, were all present. Miss Ada Hart brought her sister-in-law-elect, Miss Harrison of Halifax. Mr. Frank Welsman was welcomed with his charming English bride of last summer. Miss Margaret Huston sang during the evening; she wore a white silk evening gown. A Gerhard Heintzman grand piano of exquisite tone was used by the performers and accompanists for this

The Yacht Club Ball is easily the great est society event of this season. Minto is coming, Lady Minto will also be here, a brilliant party from Ottawa will ome in the Vice-Regal train, and the ball is going to be worthy of the company Listen till I tell you about it. The Pavi lion, which has recently blossomed out into such many-tinted effulgence, will be a bower of pink and green. Christmas wreaths. Grecian pillars, window garden boxes, royal boxes, Christmas boxes, pink satin ribbons, true lovers' knots, pink roses in wreaths of green, the Elliot tartan draped over the Minto crest and monogram, the Minto motto-Non egen arca, or that second one, Sauviter et fortiter, which is the way Paddy likes his potheen "sweet and strong"-the en twined M's and all the quaint and curious and beautiful fancies which the artistic brain of that master of decorative effect, Mr. Ricard Seaver, can evolve and realize, will combine to enchant us when we enter tall and fair, in a pretty pale blue orfairyland. Those gallant fellows, the Grenadiers, got up steam and away, but being true sport-men and gentlemen, and knowing that sailing craft have always Smith in white taffeta, and Miss Frances the right of way, they slowed down or up, Gibon of Beamsville in pink brocade. whichever it may be, and left the course clear for the yacht-men. And such courtesy won't be lightly forgotten. When we enter the Pavilion next Thur-day we -hall see the dais a bright vision; pink and white columns, not the old design of the banquet of last month, but quite different; around the white facade of the gallenes boxes will bulge out in aldermanic fashion, and jardinieres of palms will fill them wreaths and draperies of pink below, rib bons and roses fastening the Christmas festoons, and above, Oriental lambrequins of rich cord and tassels. The ceiling will be white, displaying the R. C. Y. C. shield troller shrouded in rose pink. The four corner electroliers, which were not ready for the banquet, are waiting to shine forth on the Yacht Club's guests. it will be the apotheosis of decoration and worthy of the happy occasion-Toronto's social welcome to His Excellency and his ch irming Countess.

Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston has sent our cards for a tea on December 17. Mrs. George A. Cox will also be At Home on that day. Mrs. and Miss Worts of College street are g ing to Europe. Dr. and Mrs. Montizambert entertained at dinner on Wed-

independence of Noah and the Ark, but every junior four in the Argonauts hasn't. tapis this winter, and I am told that it is proposed to give an entertainment for that purpose next month in St. George's Hall, the evening to be made enjoyable by York. short play under the direction of clever Mrs. Grayson Smith, with a dance to follow. As soon as the management de ride on the play I shall have more to tell about this matter.

S.r James and Lady Edgar are visiting friends in New York. The Misses Daw-son have arrived home from a long vi-it the date was the eighteenth anniversary in England. Mrs. Wyld gives a tea next Monday afternoon at Dunedin. Mr. Ham: ex-commodores but three since the Club's ilton Merritt has gone to Germany to inception were present, and all, both new join his wife and her mother, Mrs. Simp members and "has beens," appeared to son, who have been sojourning a long thoroughly enjoy themselves. Short while in Wiesbaden. Mrs. Janes has speeches were made by the commodore, returned from Minneapolis, and is at the officers and ex-commodores, interspersed Queen's. Captain and Mrs. Forester have with songs, musical numbers and recitataken rooms at the new pension opened tions.

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recently in that spacious house formerly tenanted by the Misses Dupont at the corof John street and Grange avenue Mr. Woodburn Osborne has returned to his regiment at Aldershot. Mr. Harold Bickford will also return shortly to Eng-Mr and Mrs. Hartley Dewart re turned last week from their Western tour. Mr. William Mackenzie returned home this week, having left his three daughters, Miss Mackenzie and Misses Bertha and Ethel, in Italy for the winter.

Among Trinity's bright guests last week were Mrs. Lee's party, Miss Mae Foster, gandie, with touches of rose pink; Miss Ethel Huzhes, a dainty bud, in pure white nusseline de soie; piquant Miss Edna

Mrs. Agnes Knox Black gave an evening of readings in the Royal Opera House, Guelph, recently, and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tytler while there. Mrs. MacIntere of Huron s reet was also the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tytler of Guelph.

Lover of orstorio are looking forward with much pleasure to the forthcoming performance of Handel's Messiah on Thurs day evening next. Mile. Trebelli, the soprano, on this occasion will be heard in oratorio for the first time in Toronto. Many will attend the Messiah in the early part of the evening, and later do honor to the new Governor General and Lady Minto at the Pavilion, in honor of whose visit Costa's fine setting of God Save the Queen will be sung prior to the oratorio.

given a fare well banquet by the Berlin Club on Monday evening on the eve of his PHOTO HOLDERS . departure accompanied by Mrs. Bowlby, for a six months' tour of Palestine, Ezypt and Italy. The banquet was an unusually successful one. Mr. W. H. Riddell, president of the club, occupied the head of the table, with the guest of the evening and Mayor Rumpel on his right, and Mr. Jos. E. Seagram, M.P., and Dr. D. S. Bowlby on his left, while His Drake, Mr. A. H. Campbell, jr., Mr. J. Every Macphairson may have had a boat Honor Judge Chisholm occupied the vice Moss, Mr. P. Manning, Mr. G. Heward, of his ain, as the clan tell, when claiming chair, with Dr. G. H. Lackner, M.P.P. Honor Judge Chisholm occupied the vice and Mr. A. Millar, Q.C., on his right, and Mr. Geo. Moore and Mr. G. H. C. Lang or or at least, the boats they have keep them his left. Mr. Riddell made a very appro from winning races which they undoubtedly would in other circumstances, or rather in other boats. To buy a new boat in responding Mr. Bowlby concluded by for the junior four is a project on the saying that on his return he would be pleased to have them all partake of a dinner with him, as his guests. Mr. and Mrs. Bowlby sailed this week from New A very pleasant evening was spent by

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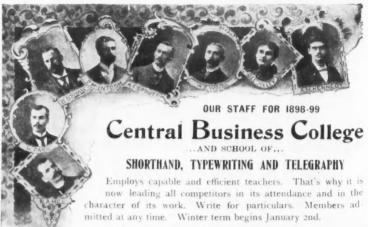
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claimed the late afternoon hours last Saturday, the palm for smartness would go in just as many different directions. Comparisons are involuntarily made as one passes from house to house, and she is the wise woman who makes them inaudibly. Certainly there was no prettier home than the crowded one in St. George street, where a quartette of hostesses received, Mrs. Hees, mistress of the house, her married daughter, Mrs. Stephen Haas, her daughter-in-law from Detroit, Mrs. Will Hees (nee Read), and that most winsome little lady, Miss Bessie Hees, who is never so charming as when doing the honors in her own home. These ladies received in the east drawing-room. and the triple rooms, opening easily into one another, were soon filled with guests. Fiewers were everywhere, the climax of beauty being a monstrous basket of Meteor roses, with broad crimson ribbons, which centered the buffet in the dining-room. Mrs. Hees wore black, richly trimmed with white lace, and carried a large bouquet of pink roses. Mrs. Haas was very becomingly gowned in a Louis coat of pale blue brocade and silk skirt. Mrs. Hees, jr., wore a transparent black gown over pale blue, and Miss Bessie wore a dove-gray skirt and bodice of white lace over white silk, in which she was a picture. A party of her young friends, Miss Wallbridge, Miss Dwight, Miss Mabel Lee, Miss Adelaide Wadsworth and Miss Melvin-Jones, were in charge of the refreshment table, which was admirably served by McConkey. The Italians played in the entrance hall, in a small recess screened with palms. The company was noticeably smart; everyone remarked the many handsome women and stunning gowns. As for the sterner sex, they seemed to have turned out in unusual force, which, say what you may, is a sure confirmation of the success of a tea. The absence of Mr. Harry and Mr. Ralph Hees was much regretted, spite of the numbers to take their places.

Last Saturday was society's busy day, as four large teas were on the tapis, and for various reasons, each quite unanswerable, madam and mademoiselle found themselves under the necessity of managing to put in an appearance at each one in turn. To a certain bright and beauteous bevy the Alpha Delta Phi house in Murray street with its hosts and chaperones was the Mecca par excellence, and a right royal time was enjoyed in its spacious par-lors. Mrs. Arthur Ross and Mrs. James Thorburn, jr., received for the young men who were the very nicest hosts possible. The tea-table, prettily decorated in carns tions and roses, white and pink, and spread with dainty fare, was set in the east parlor and administered by a crowd of trained manageverers in crowded precincts. Mr. Tom Archibald and Mr. Chaplin, whose cards of invitation had adorned the mirror frame of many a belle during the past week, were demurely dignified as hosts, and Messrs, Meredith, Geary, Ross, Mackenzie, Robinson and many another fine young chap, assisted them. Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Thorborn were chaperones of whom son and cousins are justly proud. They welcomed the pretty girls with laughing cordiality and bid them adieu at the latest possible moment with regret. To give a list of the young people would be to mention almost all the pretty debut-antes and girls of more than one season in Toronto. Everyone firmly asserts that the Alpha Delta Phi teas are the very jolliest

Just a few blocks further west Mrs. Morang, the lovely young mistress of The Elms, Beverley street, was the hostess of a very pretty tea, which was attended by many ladies and their dutiful hubbies, not to mention sons and daughters by the dozen. Mrs. Morang must have missed the gracious presence of her handsome mother and her bright artistic sisters at this reception. Everyone said as such, recalling many occasions when the hospitalities of Atherley had been dispensed by these nice women, who are now wintering in the South. Miss Heaven of Oakville 567 YONGE STREET she of the tenns land, which was a morang. And the buffet, which was a she of the tennis fame, was a sweet and magnificent polished mahogany table, lighted with handsome silver candelabra, and set with Mexican embroidered centerpiece and doyleys, and an exquisite basket of pink roses and carnations, was attended by a group of pretty girls. Mrs. Morang's home is delightfully arranged, and the rooms, instead of being crowded with incongruous bric-a-brac, are artistically adorned with a few rare and valuable articles-a fit environment for one of our most beautiful women. Many prominent and smart persons were at this tea, and many regrets were uttered that other engagements drew some away too soon. A few of those I noticed during the earlier part of the afternoon were: Mrs. Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. G. Plunkett Magann, Mr. and Mrs. Brock, Mrs. B. E. Walker, Miss Walker, Mrs. Hagarty, the Misses Hagarty, Mrs. Stephen Jarvis, Mrs. Clarkson, Miss Nina Clarkson, Dr. and Mrs. Graham, Miss Graham, Mrs. K. Stewart, Mrs. Cosby, Mrs. and Miss Somerville, Rev. Septimus and Mrs. Jones. Miss Taylor, Miss Jones, Mrs. Manning (a cousin of the hostess) and Miss Lelian Heaven dispensed the goodies of the tea-table. Miss Buck was indisposed and unable to take her place with the waitresses as expected.

> A pretty ex-Torontonian, who has re turned to town and who looked very sweet at Government House on Friday night, is Mrs. George Hodgins of Elmsley place. By the way, we welcome with one hand and bid farewell with the other. Mr. Harry Gault is being bidden adieu with much regret. He leaves for a Christmas with his people before going to the West

The engagement is announced of Miss

Ont., to Mr. Philip Du Moulin, of the Bank of Montreal, New Denver, B.C., and second son of the Lord Bishop of Niagara. ONCERNING the four teas which

> Miss Edith Gordon left the city last Saturday to spend the winter with her aunt, Mrs. R. W. Woodroofe, Woodstock.

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 23, Rev. William Patterson of Cooke's church per-formed the ceremony which united in marriage Mr. William Tafts McFetridge of Detroit, and Miss Belle Jackson of this city. The wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents, 60 Bismarck avenue, and was a very quiet one, only the family and most intimate friends being present. The happle couple started for Detroit, where they will make their home, with the best wishes and congratulations of a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McWilliams have removed from Madison avenue to 264 St. George street. Mrs. and Miss McWilliams receive on Fridays.

Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Solicitor-General of Canada, Mrs. and Miss Fitzpatrick, entertained the following gentle-men at dinner at their revidence on "The Cape," Quebec, on Sunday last: Hon. Premier Marchand, Dr. W. H. Drummond, author of The Habitant; Dr. Louis Frechette, F.R.S.; Hon. Mr. Duffy, M.L.A.; Mr. George M. Fairchild, jr.: Mr. William Wainwright of the G.T.R.; Mr. Langdon of New York, Dr. Coote, Mr. Byron Nicholson, Mr. William Power and Mr. W. H. White. Several of the guests were from Montreal, and came to Quebec by private car on the Grand Trunk.

The fourth wedding in one family in less than four years took place in Holy Trinity church, Winnipeg, on Monday, November 21, when Miss Sophia G. Mason, (Birdie) daughter of Mr. Geo. J. Mason, 109 College street, and niece of the late Chief Justice Harrison, was married to Mr. Fred J. Basken of Hillsdale, Kinbrae, Assa., N.W.T., son of Mr. Fred Basken of Ottawa and brother of Dr. Basken of Mille Roches, Ont. Venerable Archdeacon Fortin was the officiating minister. Only a few intimate friends of the contracting parties were present, as the wedding was a quiet one. The bride looked charming in a traveling gown of fawn cheviot with cream satin and lisse vest, and green velvet hat trimmed with cream satin and ospreys. She carried a beautiful shower bouquet of bride roses, chrysanthemums and maiden-hair fern Miss Gertrude Jeffries, the bridesmaid, wore a most becoming costume of cream organdie over blue silk with picture hat to match, and carried a bouquet of brides maid roses, chrysanthemums and maiden hair fern. The groomsman was Mr. Robert Henderson of the Canada Permanent Loan Co., Winnipeg. Appropriate music was very effectively rendered by Mr. Robert Fletcher, the talented organist of Holy Trinity. After the ceremony the party drove to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander MacGillis in Edmonton street, where a recherche breakfast was served. The bride was the recipient of a great many beautiful presents from To-ronto, New York, Winnipeg and other places. Mr. and Mrs. Basken left by the norning train (amidst many good wishes and showers of rice) for their future home

has so far passed without notice, i,e, the meeting of the German Club, organized and directed by Fraulein Holtermann. There are about twenty-five members, all of whom have studied in Fraulein Holter-mann's classes. Last Saturday the subject for the evening was Flowers, and many quaint old legends about our beautiful blossoms were told by the members Goethe's poem, The Violet, was also given, followed by a beautiful English rendering by Mrs. Hincks, a former student in Fraulein Holtermann's classes. Fraulein Holtermann gave a fable, one of her own writings, called The Flower of Peace. Mrs. Hamilton charmed everyone with her beautiful rendering of two lovely German songs. Next Saturday the sub-ject will be Music -- stories and histories of musicians and musical instruments, musical quotations, Wagner and his operas. The members of the club, all of whom take part in the above programme, have studied in Fraulein Holtermann's cla-ses only five week-. Fraulein Holter-mann begins a new primary class and a new advanced class on Monday next. Anyone may attend the classes two days free of charge and if dissatisfied discon tinue attendance. For particulars apply 158 Gerrard street east, or telephone 1488

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This week's hostesses have included Mrs. Kingston, who gave a tea on Tues day; Mrs. Clarkson Jones, who was At Home at Morley House on Wednesday; Mrs. Otter, who gave a cosy little tea for her guest, Mrs. Hutton, on Tuesday; Miss Toinette Plumb, who gave a young ladies' luncheon on Monday; Mrs. Powell of College street, who gave two teas. Tuesday and Wednesday, to introduce her daughter; Mrs. Goode, who gave a dance on the West side on Wednesday; Mrs. Beal of Murray street, who gave a musicale on Tuesday; Mrs. George Dick-on, who received on Friday evening, and Mrs. Rowand, whose two afternoon teas ves terday and to-day were much looked for

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delight these dreary days. Among the brides, as each girlish face, symbolic of youth and happiness, smiles out at one, I particularly admired the very fine photos of young Mrs. Ross-Gooderham and Mrs. Willie Lee. The filmy tulle veils crowning the little dark heads, the folds in the snowy satin robes, are arranged with the artistic touch of a master hand. There is a superb picture, beautifully colored, of that dashing little Winnipeg matron, Mrs. Hugh John Macdonald; a very stunning one of the young chatelaine of Llawha-den, Miss Melvin-Jones, taken in winter garb; one of Miss Stewart, Col. Otter's handsome niece, photographed in the swell frock in which she recently figured as one of the belles at Mrs. Somerville's ball. Mrs. Frederick Cox is taken in the beautiful gown which aroused so much admiration at St. Andrew's ball. Dr. Oronhyatekha, the Supreme Chief Ranger of the Foresters, beams on one with calm, classic countenance, and there are some splendid poses of Mr. L. L. Hall, the young actor at the Toronto Opera House last week, who was raved over as the handsomest man ever seen in town. All the different tints in carbon work claim particular attention. I see that not only the stylish women, but all the well known men about are extending Lyonde their

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By JEROME K. JEROME.



oad when a man, mutagely to

swept past me had I not, recognizing him, arrested him. It was my friend , a busy editor of magazines and journals. It was some seconds before he appeared able to struggle out of his abstraction and remember himself. "It is the things to me?" he pleaded. I could this confounded Christmas business," he offer him no adequate reason. explained. "It drives me out of my head."

"I have heard Christmas advanced as an excuse for many things," I replied, but not early in September."

"Oh, you know what I mean," he answered; "we are in the middle of our Christmas number. I am working day and night upon it. By the bye," he added, a symposium and I want you to join. 'Should Christmas-I interrupted

"My dear fellow." I said. "I commenced my journalistic career when I was eighteen, and I have continued it at intervals ever since. I have written about Christmas from the sentimental point of view; I have analyzed it from the philosophical point of view, and I have scarified it from Christmas humorously for the Comics, and sympathetically for the provincial weeklies. I have said all that is worth saying on the subject of Christmas-maybe a trifle more. I have told the new fashioned Christmas story-you know the sort of thing; your heroine tries to understand herself, and, failing, runs off with the man who began as the hero; your good woman turns out to be really bad when one comes to know her: while the villain, the only decent person in the story, dies with an enigmatic sentence on his lips that looks as if it meant something, but which you yourself would be sorry to have to explain. I have also written the oldfashioned Christmas story-you know that also; you begin with a good old-fashioned snowstorm; you have a good old-fashioned squire, and he lives in a good old-fashioned you work in a good old-fashioned murder; and end up with a good old-fashioned Christmas dinner. I have gathered Christmas guests together round the crackling logs to tell ghost stories to each other on Christmas eve, while without the wind howled, as it always does on these occasions, as its proper cue. I have sent children to heaven on Christmas Ege
—it must be quite a busy time for St. Peter, Christmas morning, so many good children die on Christmas Eve. It has always been a popular night with them. I have revivified dead lovers and brought them back well and jolly, just in time to sit down to the Christmas dinner. I am not ashamed of having done these things. At the time I thought them good. I once loved current wine and girls with tou-ly hair. One's views change as one grows older. I have discussed Christmas as a religious festival. I have arraigned it as a social incubus. If there be joke connected with Christmas that I have not already made I should be glad to hear it. I have trotted out the indigestion jokes till the sight of one of them gives me indigestion myself. I have ridi-culed the family gathering. I have scoffed at the Christmas present. I have made witty use of paterfamilias and his

"Did I ever show you," I broke off to ask as we were crossing the Haymarket, "that little parody of mine on Poe's poem of The Bells? It begins

He interrupted me in his turn

You are quite right," I admitted. "I way, please, sir." forgot I ever showed it to you.' You never did," he replied.

begins?" I asked.

"but I get. on an average, sixty-five a gloves do you desire?" year submitted to me, and they all begin that way. I thought perhaps yours did

"I don't see how else it could begin," I retorted. He had rather annoyed me. "Besides, it doesn't matter how a poem begins. It is how it goes on that is the him I was not in the habit of using slang. important thing; and, anyhow, I'm not Nor am I when buying gloves. He said going to write you anything about Christmas. Ask me to make you a new joke about a plumber; suggest my inventing something original and not too shocking him to see to it that the buttons were for a child to say about heaven; propose my running you off a dog story that can be believed by a man of average determination, and we may come to terms. But had been most unsatisfactory. Jane had on the subject of Christmas I am taking a

"I don't blame you," he said, " if you are as sick of the subject as I am. So soon as these Christmas numbers are off my mind, and Christmas is over till next June at the office, I shall begin it at home. I think the presents are the worst part of Christmas. Emma will give me a water-color that she has painted herself. She always does. There would be no harm in that if she did not expect me to hang it in the drawing-room. Have you ever seen my cousin Emma's water-colors?" he asked.

"I think I have," I replied. There's no thinking about it," he retorted angrily. "They're not the sort of water-colors you forget.

He apostrophised the Circus generally.

"From Second Thoughts of an Idle Fellow, Dodd, Mead & Co.

"Why do people do these things?" he demanded. "Even an amateur artist

HE 'bus must have some sense. Can't they see moved on. what is happening? There's that thing of and I was hers hanging in the passage. I put it in about to the passage because there's not much cross the light in the passage. She's labeled it Reverie. If she had called it Influenza I could have understood it. I asked her where she got the idea from, and she said she saw the sky like that one evening in imself, Norfolk. Great heavens! then why didn't walked in she shut her eyes, or go home and hide to me. He behind the bed curtains? If I had seen a would have sky like that in Norfolk I should have taken the first train back to London. I suppose the poor girl can't help seeing these things, but why paint them?

I said, "I suppose painting is a necessity to some natures." "But why give

"The idiotic presents that people give you!" he continued. "I said I'd like Tennyson's poems one year. They had worried me to know what I did want. I didn't want anything, really; that was the only thing I could think of that I wasn't dead sure I didn't want. Well, they clubbed together, four of them, and "that puts me in mind. I am arranging gave me Tennyson in twelve volumes illustrated with colored photographs They meant kindly, of course. If you uggest a tobacco-pouch, they give you a blue velvet bag capable of holding about a pound, embroidered with flowers, life-The only way one could use it would be to put a strap to it and wear it as a satchel. Would you believe it, I have got a velvet smoking-jacket, ornamented with forget-me-nots and butterthe sarcastic standpoint. I have treated | flies in silk; I'm not joking. And they ask me why I never wear it. I'll bring it down to the club one of these nights and

wake the place up a bit-it needs it. "And I'm just as bad," he went on, when I give presents. I never give them what they want. I never hit upon any thing that is of any use to anybody. If I give Jane a chinchilla tippet, you may be certain chinchilla is the most out-ofdate fur that any woman could wear. 'Oh, that is nice of you,' she says: 'now that is just the very thing I wanted.' I give the girls watch-chains when nobody is wearing watch-chains. When watchchains are all the rage I give them earrings, and they thank me and suggest my taking them to a fancy-dress ball, that being their only chance to wear the confounded things. I waste money on white gloves with black backs, to find that white gloves with black backs stamp a woman as suburban. I believe all the shopkeepers in London save their old stock to palm it off on me at Christmas time. And why does it always take half a dozen people to serve you with a pair of gloves, I'd like to know? Only last week Jane asked me to get her some gloves for that last Mansion House affair. I was feeling amiable, and I thought I would do the thing handsomely. I hate going into a draper's shop; everybody stares at a man as if he were forcing his way into the ladies' department of a Turkish bath. One of those marionette sort of men came up to me and said it was a fine morning. What the devil did I want to talk about the morning to him for? I said I wanted gloves. I described them to the best of my recollection. I said, 'I want them four buttons, but they are not to be button gloves: the buttons are in the middle and they reach up to the elbow, if you know what I mean.' He bowed, and said he understood exactly what I meant. which was a damned sight more than I did. I told him I wanted three pair cream and three pair fawn-colored, and the fawn-colored were to be Swedes. He corrected me. He said I meant 'Suede. I daresay he was right, but the interrup tion put me off, and I had to begin over

He said, 'Is that all you require, sir, this morning?' I said it was. Thank you, sir, he replied.

again. He listened attentively until I had

finished. I guess I was about five minutes

standing with him there close to the door

"He took me into another room, and there we met a man named Jansen, to 'Then how do you know how it whom he briefly introduced me as a gentleman who 'desired gloves.' 'Yes, "I don't know for certain," he admitted; sir, said Mr. Jansen; and what sort of

"I told him I wanted six pairs altogether-three suede, fawn-colored, and three cream-colored-kids.

"He said, 'Do you mean kid gloves, sir, or gloves for children?"

"He made me angry by that. I told he was sorry. I explained to him about the buttons, so far as I could understand it myself, and about the length. I asked sewn on firmly, and that the stitching everywhere was perfect, adding that the last gloves my wife had had of his firm impressed upon me to add that. She said it would make them more careful.

"He listened to me in rapt ecstasy. I might have been music.

" 'And what size, sir?' he asked. "I had forgotten that. 'Oh, sixes,' I an-

swered, 'unless they are very stretchy indeed, in which case they had better be five and three quarters.' Oh, and the stitching on the cream is

to be black, I added. That was another thing I had forgotten. "'Thank you very much, said Mr. Jan-

sen; "is there anything else that you require this morning?" 'No, thank you,' I replied, 'not this morning.' I was beginning to like the

"He took me for quite a walk, and wherever we went everybody left off what they were doing to stare at me. I was getting tired when we reached the glove department. He marched me up to a young man who was sticking pins into

nan left off sticking pins into himself, and leaned across the counter.

"'Ladies' gloves or gentlemen's gloves?"

Well, I was pretty mad by this time, as you can guess. It is funny when you come to think of it afterward, but the wonder then was that I didn't punch his

"I said, 'Are you ever busy in this shop? Does there ever come a time when you feel you would like to get your work done, instead of lingering over it, and pinning it out for pure love of the thing?"

'He did not appear to understand me. I said: 'I met a man at your door a quarter of an hour ago, and we talked about these gloves that I want, and I told him all my ideas on the subject. He took me to your Mr. Jansen, and Mr. Jansen and I went over the whole business again. Now Mr. Jansen leaves me with you-you, who do not know whether I want ladies or gentlemen's gloves. Before I go over know whether you are the man who is going to serve me, or whether you are merely a listener, because personally I am tired of the subject?'

"Well, this was the right man at last, and I got my gloves from him. No wonder the drapers have had to start luncheon and tea rooms.

Just a Hard Tackle.



half-back, andI had been worked pretty hard. Capt. Blank was at he had sent me around the end a dozen times and twice through the center. I told him that She was going to see the game, and he knew that I would play as I never played before. When we trotted on to the field I called Blank's attention to

"Every time that I ran with the ball I could see her out of the corner of my eye, and the first time that I was downed hard near the grand-stand and the other team niled on top of me, I heard her cry out, but I couldn't tell what it was, because the man who tackled me had his knee in my ear.

her. She was sitting in the front row,

wearing our colors in her gown and her

"Well, as I was saying, we rolled them down the field by steady play, and when we lined up within thirty yards of their goal with the ball in our hands Blank said it was time to take a brace and score. He told us that we had been loafing, and that he was ashamed of us, just as if we hadn't been playing the best football of the year. He signalled to me that he expected me to take the ball around the left end.

"Now, let me tell you that the exper ience which followed was novel. The enter snapped the ball back to Captain Blank, and although I was watching him intently, I saw the other rush line break against ours as if they had struck a stone wall, and I saw a girl in our colors on the grand-stand who was so excited that she was standing up. The ball was in the air,



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me. As I passed their end he jumped at me and just missed a hold. It seemed to me that the noise on the field had cease suddenly, though I learned afterward that it was redoubled as soon as I started with the ball. I saw their half-back and fullback running so that they might tackle me just before I reached their line, and I

seemed to have eyes in the back of my

head with which I saw their whole rush

line at my heels to tackle me from behind. "All of this, however, was merely an incidental stage-setting for a girl in our colors on the grand-stand. I wondered who the chap was who was standing be side her, and I feared that her arm migh get tired waving the flag which I had

sent to her as she came on the grounds I was dimly conscious of the fact that I was running at full speed in the hope that I might carry their half-back and full-back across the line with me when I was tackled, and my feet seemed to move of their own volition. My running was this story for the third time I want to due to sub-conscious action at the best, and it bothered me that I was getting so near to the fellows who were hurrying to tackle me, because I knew that when the tackle came I would see nothing of the

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Then it occurred to me suddenly that the full-back was the man who had been standing beside the girl in my colors on the grand-stand and I wondered how he had made such a quick change. If he had jumped from the grand-stand to help out the other side I was going to protest. What right had he there? We were not going to play against twelve men. He must have been wearing his football suit under his big ulster, and it was not a fair game. Why didn't Blank see him and stop the game? Anyway, he was a fool for leaving a pretty girl and coming down on a wet field to get rolled over in the mud, for that was what I intended to do with him and I was going to do it right then, hard, clear over the linehalf-back and full-back together and the whole team!

"I couldn't understand it. The girl in my colors to whom I had given the flag had struck me on the head with the flag stick. It was not a hard blow, but it hurt that she should hit me. The full-back, who had made a quick change to his ulster, was standing beside her trying to push me back. I was attempting to climb over the rail to where she stood. Every one on the grand-stand was yelling in my ears and the din was terrific. Then it ceased. Summer vacation had arrived and the girl, now dressed in white, was sitting in the stern of the boat while I rowed lazily with the stream. She to be talking, but I couldn't under-stand what she said. It was all very comfortable, however. As she leaned forward her hat fell off, and without wait ing I reached for it, tipped the boat over and began going to the bottom. I never suspected that the river was so deep. I kept going down and down while my ears rang painfully and then my feet touched something. I gave a spring and up I bobbed. I shot up. My ears ceased ringing and somebody held me up.

'Is she drowned?' I asked, opening my eyes slowly.

'Downed squarely behind a goal,' said a familiar voice. It was Capt. Blank, and as I recognized him I said: "'Why, hello, old man, how did you

ome here? "'I ran here,' he said, 'and I ran like hell. 'Am I wet?' I asked dubiously

"'Is he wet?' said Capt. Blank to the faces around him. 'Is he wet? Well, what do you think of that after a thirty yard run through the whole team wind ing up with pushing the half and full over the line for a touchdown? He thinks a little mud on his clothes will sour the girl in colors up there on the grand-stand? Why, old man, you were jammed into the mud a bit, but you are all right if you are dirty. Get up so that this infernal racket may stop and that any one who has any interest in such a coxcomb as you are, if they happen to be in the grand-stand can see that you are not hurt. That's right, up on your feet now. No bones broken. All right. Now we will take it out for a goal.'

"I stood up. There she was waving my flag, and beside her, looking disconsolate, was the chap I had supposed was going to tackle me on the field. No boat, no hat in the water and no drowning. Just a hard tackle, that's all."

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An eternity later my mind partly awoke. I was in bed. My hands went down to the bandages. The ether! That terrible, nauseating ether. Will it never leave me? Dim forms flitted about the room. They were kind, I knew, but I was so lonely with my pain. I could have killed them for not assuaging my awful thirst. I cried and complained, but nobody attended. If only I could cough. I thought of running brooks in Ireland, and waterhens. If only I could turn over on my Strong hands moved If onlyme. Oh, the relief!

When I awoke the doctor was bending over me. "Then you haven't killed me, I said. To which he replied gruffly You'll do now." "What a casual man, I thought. Something pricked me on the shoulder. I fell asleep-quite happy.

English County Nicknames The Outlook.

Since Lord Kitchener's formal acknowledgment of East Anglian descent there has been much correspondence in the Standard as to the meaning and origin of the nickname "Silly Suffolk." It would be interesting to collect the nick names of all the English counties. A few may be offered as a start. "Yorkshire Tykes" we all know, and "Northumbrian Geordies" also. But why should Wilt shire men be called "Moonrakers?" And there are "Glawster Ahwts"-we write phonetically, not having seen the words in print, but the alphabet does not express the breadth of the vowel. Lincolnshire folk are "Yellowbellies"-a playful allusion, perhaps, to the swamps and frogsmay be a reminilargely from that county. We have heard the natives of Lancashire called "Mac men." but know not if it be the right term for them'

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ERHAPS the only survivvolution is an Italian now in hisseventysecond year, Tanterdina. erly interpreter in Towell-k nown mong the

Italians here not the Neapolitans, for he never mixed with them, but among that class of emi-grants who hail from Northern Italy; from the mountains and the picturesque shores of Lake Como, and who may be distinguished from the Southern Italians who come here, by their aversion to hand-

organs and performing monkeys.

Tanterdina was born in the village of Intralia, and in 1846 went to Switzerland to work, and was there introduced to the revolutionists. In 1848 the trouble started in Lombardy, and an effort was made by the revolutionist leaders to get all Europe into trouble in the hope of securing freedom for Italy. Tanderdina's first taste of war was at Milan, where the Austrians were driven out after having been besieged for five days. They were followed to Peshara and then came trouble in the revolutionist ranks. Their general disappeared, but Garibaldi arrived from South America in June, 1848, and assuming command, marched north to Lombardy, carrying the famous standard "The Voice of the People is the Voice of God." The Austrians, with a far larger force, were coming from the south and Garibaldi had to cross into Switzerland. At this time he was suffering from ague and had to be carried over the mountains.

Tanterdina, who knew Garıbaldi well. describes him as a short, stout man, very kind to his soldiers, and with the greatest faith in the ultimate success of the cause. He was full of hope and although arms had to be laid down once the border of Switzerland had been crossed, yet he did not despair.

Addressing his men, he told them to be ready when ordered again. "In the springtime this revolution will break out again in the South," said he. "Come by twos or alone when you hear from me." The band of patriots listened and swore to obey. How well they did so is a matter of history, and the difficulties which each man had to surmount, if they were ob-tainable, would furnish material for all the romances that the world will need for

About Christmas-time the revolutionists, hidden in the Alps, learned that an All physicians know this army was being formed in the South to march upon Rome. They had to go, although every mountain pathway was guarded by patrols, and capture meant

> Tanterdina had many hair-breadth escapes. One night, while walking along a narrow path, he heard heavy footsteps and dropped behind a boulder. He was burely in time to miss being caught by the patrol, and held his breath while they passed within a few feet of him. At another time he crossed Like Como in a boat, while the guards who were supposed to be guarding it were flirting with some peasant girls.

While listening to this old man's story one is struck with the loyalty existing among the revolutionists. At every stage of his perilous journeys he met friends, ned as quilty as a rebel him self in the eyes of the strict law then in vogue, yet he was assisted at every turn. Sometimes it was a boatman, sometimes an innkeeper, and sometimes a soldier who was supposed to be looking for just such men as Tanterdina.

The fight under Garibaldi lasted from February until June. There were 20,000 men in his army, and he had after him 100,000 Austrians, 50,000 Frenchmen and 150,000 Neapolitans. The fact that he held out against such a force for such a length of time won for him the reputation of being the greatest handler of a comparatively small body of men that the world everknew. If he had had more men he prob ably would not have been so successful Tanterdina smiles as he tells how the Austrians were beaten at Veletri, and how the Neapolitans ran, and how King Ferdinand was nearly captured.

After leading the allied armies a merry dance for all those months, the insurgents laid down their arms at the little republic of Marino, but shortly afterwards word came of more fighting at Venice and thither went the indomitable Abel. In attempting to land from a boat he was captured and sent prisoner to Mantua. There he was court martia.ed and sentenced to six months' hard labor and ten years' compulsory service in the Austrian army. While on the march rom Mantua he recognized in one of his Hungarian guards a man who had formerly visited his father. The guard also identified him, and he was given an opportunity to escape at the next town, and

was not slow in taking advantage of it. Under an assumed name he traveled back to Switzerland and obtained work in a rolling mill. There his identity was betrayed by a workman who was jealous of him and he was again arrested and taken to the commissary. He was placed in a temporary lock-up and told that he would be sent south in the morning. South to him meant death, and he decided to take a chance for liberty. The Don't worry about it; you could not have cell in which he was confined was separ-

A COMRADE OF GARIBALDI. ated from the yard by an iron-barred window. After several hours of hard work he managed to make an opening large enough to put his head through.

"When you can get your head through, your body can also generally get through," says Tanterdina, which shows that a few hours in the stocks are not numbered amongst his troubles. But he escaped after six hours' work, having had to take off his clothing and throw it out ahead of him, before he could force his body through the small aperture.

With a false passport he went through Canada of the Garibaldi re- was in hopes of obtaining transportation to some foreign country, but the Austrian consul would not accept his papers as they had not been signed by the different officials along the route.

An American merchant told him to go to Marseilles, where the restrictions were not so rigid, and from which port many vessels left for America. Thither he went tramping the whole 300 miles, only to find ronto, and is the place swarming with refugees from all

The Crimean war was in progress at this time, and Tanterdina heard of the now famous "foreign legion" that was being formed. He made his way tack to Turin and enlisted under the British flag, being number 73 on the enrollment But Franz Josef is decidedly more par-He never saw active service against the Russians, for before the been declared. With the rest he came back to Malta, where the mutiny occurred, and Tanterdina's statement, in view of the many recent controversies concerning this outbreak, may be of value. He says that the trouble was caused, not by the English commanders, but by the Italian captains and lieutenants, who tried to

defraud the soldiers out of their just dues. The soldiers of the legion were offered free transportation to any of the British colonies. Tanterdina chose Canada and his record here has been one of peace and prosperity.

A Canadian Lullaby.

BY ALGERNON DE V. TASSIN. Sleep, my darling one, sleep, Wildly the winter wind blows: Wake not, my darling, to weep, Coldly and flercely it snows: Child, be thy slumbers deep The deeper the better, God knows

Dried are the tears on thy cheek, Close shut are thy tiny hands: Thy white lips so wistfully meek
Are mute to thy hunger's demands Gently, my darling one, seek

Thy comfort in slumber's dreamlands. Child, be thy slumbers deep! Wildly the winter wind blows; Wake not, my darling, to weep The mother-heart breaks for thy woes

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"Yes.

"Seek out a quiet spot-grasp the pad took my leg off.-Truth. firmly in one hand and the pencil in the other hand—and—" "Yes. And-

"And write."-Ex.

Experientia Docet.

Life.
"When a reporter tries to interview ne," said the first statesman, " I make it a practice to say nothing."

"A great mistake," replied the other. 'If you say something, there is always a bare possibility of their printing what you really did say, instead of what you didn't.'

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Mr. Van Capel (irritated)-I'm sorry I married a fool. Mrs. V. C. (resignedly)married anybody but a fool.-Ex.



CARCELY had the perorof Austria laid his Empress to rest when the politi cians of Europe began delicately to broach the subject of a second mar-riage. They urge he need of a Haps burg heir, and pic-ture the stormy

throne of Austria be left vacant at the death of Franz But should the Emperor, after the proper time of

mourning, choose would be available? Certainly an alliance with an English princess would gladden the English heart, as Austria is further from England in its family connections

tial to Spain than to England in this respect. The Queen Regent is a cousin of legion reached the Dardanelles peace had his, and their relations are very close. During the recent war they were in daily correspondence, and Maria Christina was ready at a moment's notice to fly to the Austrian Court in case of a Carlist rebellion. But it is not generally known that the Queen Regent of Spain has a beautiful daughter, the Princess Mercedes.

This girl is but eighteen years old; she has a most lovable disposition, and is a most graceful and charming princess.

Her father, Alphonso XII., married her mother when he had a broken heart. His first wife, beloved Queen Mercedes, had been dead only a short time, and he longed to weep at her tomb.

But reasons of State prevented. Spain demanded an heir to the throne, so Alphonso, with grief eating out his heart, proposed to Maria Christina of Austria.

who promptly accepted—for love!

When a child was born it was named Mercedes, after the dead wife. Mercedes has the loving, sweet spirit of her mother, combined with the sensitive pensiveness of her father. This young princess has been a prime favorite with her distant and elderly cousin. She has visited the court of Austria frequently, and loves its quiet elegance.

"Well, I suppose you'll soon be giving up golf for the season?" "Nope. I'm going to give up the season for golf. I'm going south for the winter."-Harper's

"Is there any difference between 'sick and 'ill'?" "Why, it's just like this: the man who gets sick sends for a doctor, while the man who becomes ill summons a physician.-Puck.

Miss De Style-Oh, Major! Did you ever go to a military ball! Old Veteran No, my dear young lady; in those days had a military ball come to me. It nearly

"Don't you know it's against the law to pour that water into the milk?" said a passer-by. "I'm only trying to drown the microbes, sir," said the milkman, with a smile. - Yonkers Statesman.

Little Elmer-Pa, what's an optimist Pa-An optimist, my boy, is a man who is so glad he laughs, when his wife scoldhim, because there is a law against polygamy in this country. - Cleveland Leader.

Willie-I once knew a girl who nearly died from ice-cream poisoning. Nellie-The very idea! I would never have dreamed of such a thing happening to girl of your acquaintance. - Indianapolis

She-Ah, Count, you don't know how and although anyone who befriended a She Tells How Dodd's Kidney my love for you distresses my parents. I £10,000 if I would never see you again. The Count-Ees your fazaire in hees offee now, you sink ?- E.cchange.

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ACK and the Beanstalk is one of the standard characters of litera-Jack is not complete with out his beanstalk, and the two from early, happier times are associated in the mind as one person. There are few indeed who are not acquainted with this gentleman. His date is uncertain. It is not exactly apparent just in what part of the globe he flourishedsomewhere where beans grow far larger than we see at the Toronto Fair, but there is no question in our minds as to his authenticity. He is one of the traditions, and traditions are things which we believe whether they are reasonable or not. The part that surprises us, however, in going to see Jack at the Grand Opera House this week, is to find that he was a son of Old Mrs. Hubbard, the lady of the cupboard, whose shelves were perpetually empty and whose little dog was in a corresponding condition. This relationship makes an addition to the plot and prepares us for the shock of seeing Old King Cole and his famous string trio paying a visit to the Hubbard homestead. Jack, it appears, was, much to the dis-satisfaction of his mother, a chum of Sindbad the sailor and personally acquainted with the timid Miss Muffet. All these ople followed Jack up the beanstalk-a fact hitherto suppressed-and took an active part in the proceedings. It is just as if one had fallen asleep over a Mother Goose book of fairy tales and dreamed the characters into one big ingenious jumble. Fairles, thieves, giants, flit tiptoe and tramp through forest and palace, through court-yard and garden, and all is as wonderful and as matter-



Fairies. of-fact as a dream; in truth, Jack and the Beanstalk was a dream - a beautiful dream of fairyland. I hardly think that many people were much troubled with any discrepancy between the idea they may have formed in childhood of that charming country, and the presentation of it. The fairies in the play were clad in gossamer, and danced as racefully as it is possible to conceive of dancing, and Jack, the hero, was as handme, loving and brave as the ideal of a little girl could be ; and the dresses were fanciful, and the air full of music and laughter. Children, I am so sorry your mammas didn't take you to see it, because it was just as though all the stories in your Christmas books had come true.

Blue Jeans is decidedly a superior speci men of a melodrama. It contains interest, humor and human nature. Rare, indeed is such a combination. Two of these qualities at most are all we have a license to expect, and it is generally the first two. Human nature is scarce in melodrama. There is generally no room for it. Virtue and villainy take up the stage and humor is crowded into the corners, while human nature doesn't come on at all. Blue Jeans. however, is different, and wherever it is different it is superior. Even to its cele brated buzz saw climax it is genuine and realistic. I consider Blue Jeans one of the best plays of its type, and I was please to see the careful manner in which it was put on this week at the Princess. It fits the company well, and being an "American" play, in it they are far more at home than they have been lately. Mr. Grady does the best piece of work he has done yet in the character sketch of the old peg-leg shoemaker. It is an unusually bit for a melodrama, this old Jacob Tutewiler. One sees him and believes him straight way, recognizing him as the

laughs at him affectionately, as we do at our friends. Miss Marshall also has an have my heartiest endorsement an opportunity for heavier work than she has wishes in the undertaking. Of course, I had, and takes advantage of it. Mr. Cummings, Mr. Kingstone, Mr. Glazier, in fact, all the male members of the company are unusually well cast, and Miss Andrews, as Cindy Tutewiler, is right in her element. A stranger takes the part of Sue Endaly, and evidently has known the part and studied the character before this presentation. There are faults in Blue Jeans, there are thin places in the production of it this week-I would lose my reputation if I didn't say that-but taking it all through Blue Jeans is one of the Cummings Stock Company's successes.

It must, indeed, satisfy the soul of the painter of the back scene when the live calf, introduced in the second act, tries to eat the painted haystack, as it did Tuesday evening. This is a higher compliment than any mere man could pay, for it is surely evident that a calf knows more about haystacks than even the most cultured critic.

With Mr. Ralph Cummings and many of his last year's company back in town, the Robert Cummings company also with ome of last year's organization at the Princess, and the two former leading members of the latter at the Bijou, the original idea seems to have become enlarged somewhat. Whether the idea was a strong enough one to bear being chopped up in this way without serious damage to its constitution, is a question. United, we are told, the bundle of sticks stood the test. While this makes a very touchy metaphor applied to actors, still one cannot help wondering what it is all about Why does anybody leave anywhere and come back to any place?

Rosedale, in which Mr. Cummings reatroduces himself at the Toronto Opera House this week, is not by any means the strongest item in his repertoire. It contains a very slender story, and takes five acts, eight scenes, and long, long waits between to bell it. A great deal of the time is taken up with the glorification of physicians and play-actors. The long peroration on the sanctity of doctors in the first act drags out to a point where it becomes ridiculous. It should be cut.
Actors also are extolled considerably. Considering that doctors make money out of the sufferings of humanity and that actors inflict suffering and charge a fee, it is hard to see why butchers, lawyers and all the other business members of the community are not allowed to share in the glorifica tion. Doctors and butchers are necessary



Poetry of Motion.

evils. There is too much bill about these birds to leave any semblance of symmetry and grace in their composition.

Rosedale does not by any means display Mr. Cummings' company to advantage. He himself and Miss Douglas are, as of old, magnetic and drawly, girlish and ingenuous, respectively, but their success is in spite of the play. There are bright spots, out one can understand on seeing the piece out what critics mean by the term neven." Captain Swift and The Gilded Fool, which will be put on for the other week of their engagement, will do what Rosedale fails to do-show Mr. Cummings and his supporters in their last year's

On Monday evening a very interesting lecture was given in the lecture-room of Dunn avenue Methodist church by Dr. Malcolm W. Sparrow on Evangeline and the Acadians. The lecture might well be termed a chapter from Canadian history. and was decidedly entertaining. A large and appreciative audience listened to it with careful attention, and the lecturer succeeded in showing a striking contrast ric facts and the p effusions of Longfellow's poem, Evangeline. His aim was to place the Acadian exiles in their true character, and prove that the British Government was justified in expelling them from the Province of Nova Scotia. It was quite evident that the lecture was the result of considerable research and careful comparison of statistics, and the lecturer is to be congratulated

upon his success. Joseph Jefferson, having decided to retire temporarily from the stage because of following announcement: "In order to Winkle and The Rivals, I have decided to them we are knitted to the Infinite. allow my sons, Thomas and William Jefferson, to appear respectively as Rip always stands ajar, and where the dwelbeen acting practically all their lives, and they hear the coming of my footsteps.

real article. And one likes him, too, and I feel confident that they will give credithave my heartiest endorsement and good realize that the public is to be the final arbiter of their merits or demerits, but I submit them to the theater-goers of America with the fullest confidence that they will give conscientious presentations of the above named characters. My own supporting company will remain intact for the tour, namely, Otis Skinner, Ffolliett Paget, Wilton Lackeye, Elsie Leslie, Verna Clargies, George Denham, Walter Woodall, Blanche Bender and Joseph Jefferson, jr."

> All of us are children at heart, and that accounts perhaps for the hearty laughter that greets Charles H. Yale's latest mechanical spectacle The Evil Eye, or the Many Merry Mishaps of Nid or the Weird Wonderful Wanderings of Nod, which will be at the Grand Opera House all next week, commencing Monday night. All the antics that the childish imagination is taught to associate with witchcraft are reproduced, and intermingled are scenic embellishments, so that the eye is continually delighted as well as surprised. Like all dramatic offerings of its sort, the plot of The Evil Eye is as complicated as it is inconsequential. Half a dozen fairy legends are brought into the action merely to give opportunity for scenic effects. It is said to be a charming holiday spectacle.

The green-room generally, as a factor of the old-time theater, has given place to the needs of the property man, and is filled with all sorts of odds and ends, or, perhaps, it has been fitted up as the "star dressing-room." There are only a few theaters in this country that possess a green-room now, and if the actor wants to gossin he does it on the trains or in a little narrow cell called by courtesy a dressing-room.

Much of the credit for the successful closing exercises of Loretto Academy is due to Miss Etla Stone and Miss Gertrude Hughes. Miss Stone had the musical numbers in charge, while Miss Hughes instructed the pupils in drills and elocu

One of the great actors of the day-Charles Coghlan-will shortly appear at the Grand Opera House in his drama of the stage. The Royal Box. Mr. Coghlan's support this season is of the very best

Van Rensaeler Wheeler, the baritone inger who has been in Toronto with The Geisha and The Highwayman, is one of the principals in Jefferson de Angelis production of The Jolly Musketeer.

A Stranger in a Strange Land is on the poards of the Grand Opera House the latter half of this week.

Some Mock, but Not All.

HE other day I read in a printed book these words, "Some mockt, some shook their heads, and some believed." And that is the universal experience of every man who ever did anything, or thought anything, or was anything. People always mock the thing they are not used to. After wards their hilarious mockery may reduce itself to a dubious shaking of the head, and a cynical smile; then the smile may fade away into blankness, and the man may believe. Deborah, standing in the doorway of her father's house and making fun of the moon-faced Benjamin as he walkt up the street munching at his oaves and gaping on every side, is typical. Deborah had no flitting ghost of a thought that this strange, loaf-munching, mirthmoving youth would ere long humble her into the very dust; then when she had been flung adrift by fate, her arms would reach out to him and he would marry her and give her immortality by linking her name with his own-the greatest name America has produced. No, of course she hadn't.

Saul of Tarsus, going down to Damascus foresee that he would come back and henceforth be the Master Christian of all

Some mockt, some shook their heads,

and some believed. Yes, be you preacher, lawyer, fysician, artist, writer, do your work the best you can and try to live up to your highest ideal, some will surely mock. If you have genius a great many will mock, and a great many will shake their heads. But altho a great multitude may mock, so long as a few believe, all is well. No good physical infirmities, recently issued the life was ever lived but there was someone keep faith with the managers with whom believe in us make life possible. Without have contracts to produce Rip Van them, what should we do? But with

I know a cottage whose door for Van Winkle and Bob Acres. They have lers therein start with gladness when





Wife—"Very well, George, if you will go shooting—mind, if you get blown to bits, don't come running to me for sympathy!"

Growing Young Gracefully.



OW many articles have been written to those of ad vancing years upon the secret of growing old gracefully! They have been told that gray hair is a glory, wrinkles but evi-

dence of wisdom by experience, and infirmity only an appeal to the respect and consideration of the stronger juveniles. Oh, yes, and they console themselves with these sad comforts as best they may. A elect few won't accept the platitudes, refuse the comfort, and struggle vainly against the inexorable ravages of Time. But there is a better thing than either, and the world is taking hold of it with avidity. Wrinkles are no longer a horror, for you do not need to have them; gray hair is evaded by secret processes which I dare not divulge even if I knew them. Everyone is growing young these days! What has done it? The bicycle, the masseur, or the comprehension that mind may control matter? By the way, that comprehension is perhaps due to the wheeling experiences of the woman of the last few years. Everyone is growing young, but are they doing it gracefully? The aging man and woman are pushed aside into a corner, and many do not observe whether they are graceful in their adding of year to year. But he and she who are growing young are always in the front row. A sprightly self-assertion is an integral part of the process, and it is often so ungraceful, this process, that I am moved to write a screed to rebuke it. When one desires to grow young one must go about it fairly care-The abandon of the debutante won't suit the woman just on the brink of forty, who begins to grow young. It is inartistic and unreal. Rather a happy, mellow content and generous sharing of smiles and pleasant words is her cue.

She must be as happy as a child, as thoughtful as a woman, and as sympathetic as a mother in Israel. She must utterly refuse to shoulder care and trouble. There may be cares and troubles done up in more or less back-breaking packages on right and left. Let them lie! The woman who is growing young will none of them One must grow plump to grow young; dimples must replace bumps and bones, hair must be loosely and softly dressed, and if one has curls it comes easier; if not, one must buy some, or carefully cook one's hair in wavelets with a discreetly heated curling-iron. Neither over-eating, over-drinking nor overstraining of one's attention or effort must be encouraged. One must rest when one is tired and sleep when one is drowsy a l'enfant if one wishes to grow young gracefully. And one must learn the philo sophy of expending the least vital force possible to ensure one's ends. But above all, one must be interested in the present the future, but the past must lie where it One cannot grow young if one bothers with one's past. Let it go, in the name of happiness, of brightness, of the art of growing young!

Many a woman, many a man essays to young by outward means. These are at best but aids to the great resultand so many shipwreck upon them!

The barber's effort generally only serves to make man or woman a ridiculous failure in the art of growing young. Juvenile frocks are the pitfalls which engulf many a budding second youth. A perky manner and a leering eye mark the giddy old goose of a man who starts wrongly on the way to growing young gracefully. Such miss the secret; they do not go deep enough.

Sometimes care and disappointment and illness and grief, which have swayed the soul from dusk to dark, fall away from a life. It is so beautiful then to watch the natural glad grace of the heart growing young. I have seen it at forty, fifty, sixty. aye, seventy, and I have rejoiced on one side of my face, while I mourned on the other for the many who might be free to grow young gracefully if they only thought enough into it.

Enamel and powder and hair dye and rouge won't make the woman young again, any more than prancing and ogling and padding and grinning will rejuvenate | reason.

the old beau gracefully. To grow young gracefully; to cease to offend the sense and the taste of the critic by stupid superficiality; to begin at the beginning, and hour by hour set the spirit free, train the greedy self, soothe the shattered nerves, cheer the way-worn soul, hush harsh notes and sing in harmony with nature-that is the beginning of the art of growing young gracefully.

Her First Golf Lesson.

HE brawny old golf teacher at the Just So Club Links shook his head as Teddy Rocks, with his caddy trotting behind pa ssed by with his new fiancee, and when the man meanly asked: "What did you do that for?" the big professor said: "Just watch them." This is what followed

"Now, darling," said Teddy, building up a little mound of sand and balancing thereon the ball, "you mustn't try too much at first. And you mustn't mind if you do not hit it."

She took the big stick with the breakfast roll on the end of it, and tried to get the pendulum swing that Teddy told her

"I thought my waist was nice and e," she complained, and that brought the first cloud to Teddy's brow.

"You girls are such fools about your clothes! There, never mind, pet, but nobody can do anything at golf unless they are perfectly easy. Now whack away."
"Why, Teddy," she returned, "you have always been so pleased with my clothes,

and you know you always say you like to see them fit." But golf is different," said Teddy, and

said it very shortly. "Now get to work, bang away! We annot keep the next party waiting all night, Jennie.'

When a girl's only been engaged a little while it makes her feel hurt to be called by her name like that, with no adjectives. She banged away. The ball, followed by a cloud of sand, rose in the air, and fell a little way off on the turf. Jenny yelled dismally.

"What's the matter? That is a very good shot for the first," said Teddy.

"But look at the awful place I gouged out of my wrist." She displayed her wound. "I did it with my other thumbnail when I swung the thing." Of course, she expected sympathy. Teddy only "Oh, you will have to get used to

Come along. When you strike you must not want to take your eyes off the ball. Of course, I could not let you find your own balls this time." Talking thus, Teddy led on, and all this time Jennie's wrist was "bleeding dread

things like that if you expect to play golf.

fully," as she told the girls afterward. Then she forgot about her wrist. "I see it, Teddy," she exclaimed,

away she started for the white spot in the "Don't run," said he, catching her as she passed. "Never run in the golf links

very bad form." Jennie contented herself with walking briskly. She stooped cheerily to recover the ball, and again Teddy yelled out Don't touch it; leave it where it is.

You can move anything movstrikes. able, but you cannot move a ball." Does it stick, Teddy, where it lights? Jennie did not mean to make him angry y this, but just wanted to know.

Never touch a ball. Let it lie wherever it

"It came up quite easily," she added with it in her hand. "Didn't I tell you to let it alone?" demanded Teddy, testily. Well, go

At least, that is what she thought he said. Afterward she confessed that she thought he must have said, "Go back and tee," but how was she to know how it was spelled?

"Very well, Mr. Rocks," said she. "It is teatime, and I see very well that I am spoiling your pleasure. I won't trouble you to come home with me, either. I will

you to come home with me, either. I will go at once."

And as she walked haughtily past the brawny old professor of golf at the Just-So Club Links, on her way to the entrance, with Teddy miserably chasing her, the old professor shook his head again. This time the man near by did not ask the reason.

The Drama Forty Years Ago

The Actors and Actresses Who Walked the Boards in Toronto and Hamilton in the Fifties.

ESPATCHES tell of the death of

BY AN OLD STAGER.

Charles W. Couldock, one of the old-time actors. The Hamiltonian who lived here (writes An Old Stager in the Hamilton Herald) away back in the fifties will remember him when he played in an old barn, that was fitted up as a theater, on the corner of John and Rebecca streets. John Nickerson was the lessee of a theater in Toronto, and he also was the manager of the Hamilton barn. While the interior of the old theater was not attractive to the eye, nor yet the most comfortable place on cold winter night, yet the attractions on the stage were always of the highest class. The old stagers regret the degene racy of the stage as we have it in the present day. In the days of John Nick erson and his stock company of star actors, Hamilton audiences were served with the best English comedies of the old school interspersed with the more scholarly tragedies of Shakespeare. While Couldock was not a member of the stock company, yet he never failed to come to Hamilton during the theatrical season, and his coming always filled the barn-like theater with Hamilton's better class of citizens. Couldock was a young man then, not more than forty, and it was the beginning of his career that has been crowned with professional success He made more than one fortune during his long career, but the money slipped away from him about as easy as he made His great play away back in the 50's, and which always filled the theater every night it was on the boards, was Willow Copse-on the line with Hazel Kirke-in which he took the character of Luke Fielding. This was one of his great successes, yet in the line of English comedies he was a master in every play in which he took part. In Shakespeare's plays his favorite character was Hamlet, but he was equally at home in all.

We need not sigh for the old barn like theater, with its pit (now called parquet) seated with backless benches, and its boxes raised a little above, the only difference in the seats being that the boxes had backs to the benches. This was called the family circle, while another tier higher was the heaven of the gallery gods, who could raise the necessary quarter to pay for admission. There were no fancy prices in those days, for fifty cents was the highest paid for the best scat

among the elite. And then what a company of players. John Nickerson, besides being a manager of rare ability, was one of the finest come dians on the stage. His accomplished daughter, Charlotte Nickerson, seemed be equal to any role, and her sweet, pleasant face and grace manners to her audience always won for her admiration and unstinted applause. This queen of the stage mar-

ried an editor (don't you feel sorry for her now even at this late day to think that she would abandon her great career to become the happy wife of an editor)—and from that time on was not on the bill in the Hamilton theater. There were younger sisters who took her place, but never filled it.

Peter Richings and his adopted daughter, Caroline, were among the actors who graced the boards in the old barn; and such plays as they presented will forever be a pleasant memory to the old-time auditors. Don't you remember the play of Extremes, with Dan Flagg, a Hamilton printer, as the comical darkey? Poor Dan had talent, but he drowned it in the flowing bowl. Then there was Tom McIntosh, one of the owners of the Hamilton Banner (now the Times), who was an amateur actor of merit. He was always ready to lend his ability to his old friend Nickerson

We might mention Peters and and Miss Phillips, and the grand galaxy of good actors that belonged to Nickerson's stock company, every one of whom would rank as a star nowadays.

on benefit occasions, etc.

Parcel Post Packages.

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Last week's edition of SATURDAY NIGHT was entirely sold out early on Saturday morning. Newsdealers and others sending in for extra copies were unable to procure them. The same thing has occurred for several weeks past, al though the number of papers printed has been largely increased. To the reader we would say that the way to the safe course is to subscribe direct to the office, or through a newsdealer, and to the news dealer we would say, increase your orders in advance.

"I think the Dominion Government tried to be smart in its answer to the request to equip the Toronto schoolboys drill corps for the trip to Tampa," said "Why so!" he was asked. Well, the Government replied that it ould supply nothing but belts. Now the weather in Florida may be pleasant and all that, but belts, nothing but belts. I sha'n't let my son go, I can tell you that.

"The German emperor," said the shoe clerk boarder, "seems to be carrying things by storm." "Yes," assented the Cheerful Idiot, "he reigns and blows."-Indianapolis Journal.

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The Mauve Chrysanthemum.

BY WILLIAM ROSS.

KNOW what I'll do," I said to myself decidedly, "I will call on Cecilia one night, and the next night I will call on Priscilla and find out which one I 'like' the better and then -," but of that later.

The reader will probably gather from this little soliloquy that I was in love with two "fair maids," but could not decide which one I liked the better. So it was that I determined to compare them as I men-

To strike the iron while it was hot, I called on Cecilia the following night. She received me with unconcealed pleasure, and indeed seemed more charming than I had ever known her. Her grace and conversation were so artless and unaffected and her beautiful face so smiling and happy that she completely won my heart.

As I was saying good-night she took a very odd, but none the less beautiful, mauve chrysanthemum that was pinned to her breast and put it in my button-hole, saying, "I hope to see you soon, Jack, but you just wear this until I do."

"Of course I will, Cecilia, dear, but that will not be long, I hope." And it wasn't. With a final "good-night" ended one of the most enjoyable calls I have ever

So much was I satisfied with the first half of the comparison of my "lady loves" that I was inclined to believe that no further was necessary; and thus I almost decided not to make the second call at all. A little maturer consideration, however, changed my first determination, and the following night found me calling

She met me at the door and after saying how glad she was to see me, remarked, But what an odd chrysanthemum, Jack," and in a somewhat enquiring tone, Where did you get it?"

"On," I said, wincing a little under the fire of those scorching black eyes, "I-I just 'got' it; and, as for its being odd, I don't think I ever saw another like it."

She reached up to take it from my coat, as she was accustomed to do with any ower I should happen to be wearing, but I stopped her hand half-way and said, No, my dearlittle girl, you must not take

She didn't say anything, but the halfoffended look she flashed at me was enough to make me understand that she was not altogether satisfied with the situation—nor ignorant of it. However, she was her own sweet self in an instant, and from then until it was time to bid adieu she was more charming than I had ever remembered her before.

That she was pretty to my mind there was not the slightest doubt, and her conversation was remarkably bright and vivacious, sparkling with a humor that was peculiar to Miss Priscilla.

Indeed, I felt as I was leaving that the effect of my previous night's call had been completely neutralized by to-night's. So, when Priscilla again reached up to take that chrysanthemum, I had not the heart to refuse her. We said good night, and she, too, hoped to see me soon, and she did!

"Confound it," I said to myself on the way home, "I'm no farther ahead than I was when I started this comparison of mine :" and here I again went over in my mind the various qualities of the characters of the two maids; the conclusions I give below: Miss Cecilia—Beautiful, charming in manner, unaffected, artless to a degree. Miss Priscilla—Beautiful, charming in manner, unaffected, but not so very artless. And these are two results between which I would defy any man to choose, and so I, too, could not decide, but determined to leave all to fate or circumstances, which, by the way, often amounts to the

The next afternoon was Saturday, and about three o'clock I was walking along King street on my way home from my office, when whom should I meet but fair Priscilla. She looked perfectly charming, and, moreover, I particularly noticed she had pinned on her jacket that peculiar mauve chrysanthemum that Cecilia had

She greeted me with a sweet smile and stopped, evidently intending that I should keep her company. I confess that I was not overly anxious to walk with her, especially as it was the custom with a great many people to promenade here Saturday afternoon; and I foresaw the possibility of meeting Cecilia (perhaps). This complication of Cecilia and Priscilla, the chrysanthemum and myself, did not exactly appeal to my sense of the fitness of things, and so I would willingly have eft Priscilla (and that tell-tale flower) had I been able; but no, she was so quietly importunate that I gave way and spent a great part of the afternoon promenading Broadway with her. I wanted to take her into McConkey's (for obvious reasons) but no, she refused (a thing I had never known her to do before), and persisted in walking up and down this same street.

And what I had been dreading all after-

noon did happen, for who should loom up in the distance but Cecilia herself. As she came nearer an expression of recognition swept over her face, but this gave way at once to a look of incredulity, and next an expression of anger, coupled with a blush, made its appearance just as she swept past without even bowing.

It was too obvious, the cause of all this, and I felt no doubt that the complication hinted at above had not appealed to her sense of the fitness of things, either.

I was somewhat astonished, however, and so was Priscilla, evidently, for our eyes met in a sort of enquiring gaze. She naintained her affectation of surprise for a moment only, when I thought I noticed a slight twinkle in her eyes. This soon was followed by a faint sign of a smile that gradually developed into a real smile; her eyes twinkled more merrily and altogether her first affectation of surprise gave way to a smile that expressed an unmistakable satisfaction.

It took me but a few moments to fathom this "mighty plot," as I must call it; but when I did I was at first inclined to be angry, but this almost immediately changed to a feeling akin to relief or satisfaction that "fate," assisted by a woman's shrewdness, had decided what my comparative study had failed to determine At any rate I was not altogether dissatis-

fled with the result. When I called that evening I was met by Priscilla with that tell-tale chrysanthemum on her breast. She at once took it off and with a half-triumphant smile pinned it on my coat saying, "I know where you got that now, Jack."

"Yes," I said, laughing, "and you, you little rascal, have no more use for it, eh?" She only smiled and blushed.

When I was saying good-night after my third night's call I remarked, laughing, Well, Priscilla, it was not my anyway; it was the fault of you and that mauve chrysanthemum."

Yes, Cecilia was artless, but Priscilla-Toronto, Dec., '98.

A Tragedy.

From the Philistine. Heathen chief suspects his wife. Finds her lover. Kills him.

She, loving wrong chap, longs to be with him wherever he is and so kills her-

But the chief means business and, determined to break up the seances in this world or the next, follows, killing himself, too.

A Doorstep Dialogue.

By Winifred Sothern.

He-"Shall I ring again?" She-"It won't do any good. There's nobody within three stories of the bell tonight. Can't you break the chain?'

He-" It wouldn't be much of a chain if I could. I'll try, though."

She—"I'll help. Isn't it maddening to have the door open like this and yet not be able to get in? That idiot Eliza!"

He—"Whew! That's solid. I suppose

she forgot you were out." She-"She never remembers anything but that there may be a burglar. There's no use looking at that window. You can't

reach it, and even if you could it's locked and the inside shutters are barred." He-" But we could break things."

She-"And rouse the neighborhood at one o'clock Christmas morning. Thank you, no." He—" Who sleeps above us?"

She-" Father and mother-when they're not in Washington."

He-"And above that?" She-"I do-when I'm not spending the night on the doorstep."
He—"Isn't there a back way?"

She-"Yes, with a padlocked iron gate leading to it. Oh, I might have known it! I never did an unchaperoned thing in my life that I didn't get into trouble. But it seemed stupid to make Cousin Mary come all these miles out of her way just for form's sake, when we both knew we didn't need chaperoning."

He (rattling the door impatiently)-"Oh,

I'm absolutely safe, am I?" She-"My dear boy, no. I'm not insult-ing you. I spoke merely with reference to taking stray girls home from theater

parties at midnight." He-"Thank you. I thought you were going on to say I seemed just like a brother, or we knew each other too well

for any nonsense, or something equally unpleasant." She-"Never. But what are we going to do? Father and mother will be back first thing in the morning and I don't care

to have them find us tete-a-tete on the front steps."
He-"I'll make one more try at the bell. If that doesn't work I suppose I'll have to marry you. They always do in

She-"It would be only polite. And you might do worse."

He-"I might; though you say it that shouldn't. It's a good idea. I wonder why I never thought of it before." She-" Well, there isn't time to think of

He-" The idea doesn't interest you?" She-"Oh, there's nothing new in it to

me. I've often thought it over."

He (coming closer)—" You've thought of it? And what did you decide?" She-" That I might do better. Let's

both pound." He (after a few vicious bangs)-"Do you know that you're rather brutal sometimes?

She-"Nearly always. I'd be a hateful person to have around all the time. I'll tell you: let's call out the fire depart-We could borrow one of their ladders and then tell them it was a mis- Eliza!"-Munsey's.

He-"It seems like giving the city a ood deal of trouble."

She-" We could warm ourselves by the engine while they were waking up Eliza for us. Oh, bother Eliza!" He-"Hang Eliza!"

She-"Confound Eliza! I wish you didn't have to suffer, too. Can't you get a basket and hang me on the door-knob?"

He-"I'm not suffering except for you.

How about trying the chimney? Santa Claus must have brushed some of the soot off by this time."
She-"Oh, and I promised mother faithfully that I'd fill the children's stockings!

of something? I'm cold and I'm tired. I want to get in." He—"You poor child! Let me take you somewhere. Isn't there some one you

Why, they'll be getting up before so very long. What shall I do? Can't you think

know whom we can rouse?"
She—"Not near here. And I couldn't, any way. It would be so sort of-dread-ful. I should feel disreputable. Be-sides, the children's stockings. Their hearts would be broken."

He-"But, my dear girl, this is getting past a joke. It's evident we can't rouse that woman, and I can't let you stay here any longer. Your poor hands-they're

She-"Oh, dear! And I'm keeping you out all this time. Don't wait any longer. I'll—I'll manage some way. Do go."

He—"How comfortably I'd sleep, with

you doing the little frozen match girl act half a dozen blocks away. If I could only take you to my den! I'd build up a big fire and put the lounge out in front of it and wrap you in a steamer rug and brew you a good hot toddy and-

She-" What a pity I'm not a man!" He-"Oh-I don't know!"
She-"We could have loads of fun. If I

were a man I'd like you tremendously." He—"Well, but as a girl, mightn't— She-"Oh, a girl's liking doesn't count

for much, unless she falls in love. And I never do that." He-"But couldn't you make an excep-

tion? Just this once?"
She—"I was born cold. I can't help it. I shall never care for any man that way. I should really like to, you know, but I

He (after a pause)-" If you tell me that for my own good, I'm afraid it's too late." She-"I'm sorry. I wish I were different." (Another pause.)

He (squaring his shoulders)-" Well, now to get you in. I'm going to try for that window.' She-"But you can't. It's simply crazy. There isn't even an edge to stand on; and

that pavement below!"

He (taking off his overcoat)—"It's that or pneumonia for you. If I hadn't these beastly patent leathers on, I could manage

it better."
She-"But it's foolhardy. I can't allow it. Look at the stone step you'd fall on." He-" But do you realize that this has grown rather serious? And I honestly

think I can make it."

She—"I ask you not to attempt it.

He (stepping up on the balustrade)— My dear girl, there is no other way." She (catching his arm)-"I can't let you. I can't bear it. I'd-I'd rather lose every rag of reputation I've got. I'll go to a hotel-anywhere."

He-"Do you hear that clock? It's too late now to go anywhere else. I care more for your name than I do for — How cold you are! Put this coat around you, and don't watch me if it makes you

She (excitedly)-" Nervous! Nervous! When the man you - Oh, please don't

He (quickly)-" When the man you-She-"Surely we can think of some

He-"When the man you-?" (Feels around for a foothold.) "I'll climb better

if you finish it." She-"When the-oh, come, come quick!" (Darts down the steps.) He-" What is it?"

She (breaking into a run)-"The drug store! He (following, bewildered)-"But you can't spent the night there!"
She (over her shoulder)—" Hurry!

the night bell ringing violently. She-" The telephone, please.

He-"By George, the telephone!" She-" Yes, 1423. Ring again. Eliza, is that you? Go down and unchain the front door at once. Yes, you did. Goodbue. Well, our troubles are over. How stupid we were. You have been very kind." (They hurry back in silence.)

He (as they mount the s eps)-" Please before I go, did you mean it! When the She-"Oh, the stockings! I mustn't

stop. Come to-morrow and-and see what the children got. Good-night." He (as the door closes)-"God bless

The British Whale: An Austrian View.

The Quill-Worker.

E. Pauline Johnson (Tekahionwake) in Black and White. OLAINS, plains and the prairie land which the sunlight floods and fills. To the north the open country, southward the Cypress Hills,

Never a bit of woodland, never a rill that flows, Only a stretch of cactus beds, and the wild, sweet prairie rose; Never a habitation, save where in the far south-west A solitary tepee lifts its solitary crest,

Where Neykia in the doorway, crouched in the red sunshine, Broiders her buckskin mantle with the quills of the porcupine.

Neykia, the Sioux chief's daughter, she with the foot that flies, She with the hair of midnight and the wondrous midnight eyes. She with the deft brown fingers, she with the soft, slow smile, She with the voice of velvet and the thoughts that dream the while—
"Whence come the vague to-morrows? Where do the yesters fly?
What is beyond the border of the prairie and the sky? Does the maid in the Land of Morning sit in the red sunshine.

So Neykia, in the westland, wonders and works away Far from the fret and folly of the "Land of Waking Day," And many the pale-face trader who stops at the tepee door For a smile from the sweet shy worker and a sigh when the hour is

Broidering her buckskin mantle with the quills of the porcupine?"

For they know of a young red hunter who oftentimes has staid To rest and smoke with her father, tho' his eyes were on the maid, And the moons will not be many ere she in the red sunshine Will broider his buckskin mantle with the quills of the porcupine.

The Export of Musical Diplomas.

Henry Labouchere in Truth. FORTNIGHT ago I gave an account of the mass meetings, which passed strongly-worded resolutions, supported by even more strongly-worded speeches, held in various cities of the Dominion against the wholly unwarrantable attempt of Trinity College, London, and the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music to force their musical diplomas upon Canada, against the express wish of our loyal colonists. The colonists thought that, at any rate so far as the Associated Board were concerned, the movement was actuated less by art reasons than by a desire for fees, and with a candor to which young and progressive nations are prone, they very plainly said so.

I am now informed upon good authority (and the fact will doubtless be interesting to the Trinity College Examiner who sends me by registered post a twelve-page letter, the drift of which I cannot quite gather) that Trinity College, London, recognizing the error of judgment which has been made, have resolved at once to withdraw their scheme, and, accordingly, unless they are expressly invited to Canada to examine for musical diplomas—an invitation which under present circumstances is hardly likely to be issued—they will leave Canada altogether out of their operations. I heartily congratulate Trinity College, London. To err is human, but to withdraw from an untenable position, though it requires more courage, is an act of wisdom which the public are quick to appreciate and applaud. The Associated Board would do well to follow this excellent example without the slightest further delay. The heads of the Associated Board were, it may be recollected, the very first to protest against the attempted introduction of the absurd Trinity College. Toronto, degrees into this country. The old adage tells us that what is sauce for the goose is also sauce for the gander. It certainly seems no less equally absurd that the Associated Board should attempt to export their diplomas to Canada, when the Canadians, with a wealth of vocabulary rarely exceeded in discussions among gentlemen, have indicated very plainly that such examinations and diplomas are not wanted.

I have already called attention to the strong language used by Canadian musi-I learn, held on the 15th ult. at the Queen's Hall, Toronto, when a strong nonsense should be stopped at once, even She (over her shoulder)—"Hurry!

They dash into the drug store, setting resolution was passed against the Associated Board, and a committee was formed pounds by the abortive termination of an to resist the "examinations invasion." (of course, wrongly enough) is considered an insult to the musicians of Canada bave been formed at Ontario with Mr. S. I. Church as honorary secretary, and at Montreal with Mr. Percival Illsley in the Canada has by Royal charter proper universities or other institutions lawfully qualified (in Canada, but not beyond its boundaries) to hold examinations and to grant degrees and diplomas; so that the exportation (for gain, as it is plainly alleged) of the British diplomas is unwar rantable.

it is said that a letter had been received from Mr. Samuel Aitken, Hon. Secretary of the Associated Board, in which that gentleman dealt with the criticisms on the examination scheme, although his very letter, according to the newspaper in question, "confirms all that has been said concerning the subject relating to the financial aspect of the Associated Board's philanthropy." Mr. Grinstead, the representative in Canada of the Associated Board, suggests in a circular-letter, "the probability of a visit to this country (Canada) of either Sir Alexander Mackenzie or Sir Arthur Sullivan to inaugurate the examinations of the Associated Board in Canada." I should imagine that Canadian musicians would receive this naïve assertion with the tongue in the cheek. It is, in fact, in the highest degree unlikely that either of these celebrated musicians would accept any such office. Sir Alexander Mackenzie is in bad health, undertaking even his necessary work in London, though with pluck yet with difficulty. Also he is, I feel sure, the very last man in the world to offer his services where they have not been asked, and where he may suspect that (apart from the celebrity of his name) they would not be welcome. As to Sir Arthur Sullivan, the absurdity of supposing that he would tour about Canada to examine young people for the major or minor diplomas of the Associated Board is too laughable for serious discussion. The Canadians, however, seem to believe that either Sir Arthur Sullivan or Sir Alexander Mackenzie will come. But gladly as they would welcome both musical knights in another capacity, they are still impenitent in the matter of the diploma

In a leading Canadian paper on Oct. 22

rade, and candidly say:

A personal visit to Canada of either of the eminent musicians referred to would certainly convince them of the false position being taken by the honorary secretary of the Associated Board in the matter of introducing the examinations of that organization into Canada. It would also demonstrate clearly that this country (Canada) neither desires nor requires the examinations of the Board, and that the best musical interests of the Dominion demand hat its musical educational policy, as well as its splendid general educational interests, be allowed to develop without outside interfer-

Another meeting of gentlemen interested in musical affairs, although not themselves professional musicians, was called at Montreal for November 7, and there is no doubt that our friends across cians and other leading Colonials at public the water take the matter very seriously, cad! meetings upon the subject. Another and are much annoyed by the manner in meeting of the musicians of Ontario was, which they are being treated. Indeed, it enterprise upon which they never should Separate associations to resent that which have embarked. For the name of the Prince of Wales stands at the head of the scheme of the Associated Board, and it is most desirable that the fact should be established without a moment's delay, and beyond the slightest suspicion of doubt, same office. The position taken is an that His Royal Highness will be no party unassailably strong one: namely, that to forcing upon loyal Canadians musical that His Royal Highness will be no party examinations and diplomas which they consider a mere commercial speculation, and for which, rightly or wrongly, they seem to express a very hearty contempt.

Glad He Was Hit.

UNITED States Army surgeon relates that before Santiago, he (the sur-geon), going to the front, came upon a young officer, sitting beside the road, trembling like a leaf, and whiter than the dead men around him. At sight of the surgeon he began to talk. "I'm a coward, I'm a coward, I'm a coward," he said; "I knew I'd run, and I did. O Lord! I wish you'd kill me! I'm disgraced forever. I just got scared. I knew I would. I was going along all right, not thinking of anything but getting at the dashed Spaniards, yelling to my men to come on, and running ahead as fast as I could, when all of a sudden I stubbed my toe, or something, and then I can't remember being scared, but I must have been, for I came galloping back here, sick as a dog. Oh, I feel so awfully gone. I'm a blanked coward, and I wish I were first to know it." dead! O Lord! why don't somebody shoot me! I've got such an awful goneness right here," and he put his hand to his stomach.

The surgeon gave him a quick look and caught him as he plunged forward in a faint. Where the awful goneness was a Mauser bullet had found its billet. They carried the wounded man to the field hospital, and he chuckled all the way.

"Oh, my! oh, my!" he said, over and over; "I wasn't scared! I wasn't scared!" And then he would laugh delightedly: "I wasn't scared. I was hit—I was just hit. I ain't a coward after all."

Yvette Guilbert and Sarcey.

EOPLE who believe that in Paris there are two affaires only— Fashoda and Dreyfus—are mistaken. There is a third one, which is none the less important, and is by far the most amus-

ing (writes a Paris correspondent to Modern Society). It is the affaire Yvette Guilbet and Sarcey. To tell the truth, it scarcely interested me till yesterday morning, when it nearly became a tragedy before my very eyes. Yvette Guilbert's rare talent is opposed to Sarcey's common-place good sense. He does not understand it. Furthermore, being accustomed to dictate, he will not bear any longer the foolish admiration which the diseuse creates among his own subjects—the bourgeois de Paris. But this week there appeared an article

of his which was too much for Madame Yvette's temper. Sarcey had touched with his podgy forefinger the most sensitive spot in the "divette's" nervous system, and she decided to drop at once the tone of banter of a playful adversary, answering with wit and lightness of heart to the attacks of a heavy old enemy. So, putting on her onnet, she went in person to 59 Rue de Douai. I had called on this very day to have lunch with Sarcey, for I wanted some books from his splendid collection, and I climbed up the oak staircase which leads to a gallery occupying the three sides of his huge library, when the door opened and the servant announced, "Madame Yvette Guilbert!"

Very much scared, I glanced down, and did not know what to do—show myself, or keep quiet in my lofty position. I had to do the latter whether I liked it or not, for I had no time to discuss the alternative in my mind. Sarcey felt evidently some what uneasy, for he pretended not to hear and went on writing. Madame Yvette smoothed her gloves and coughed. Sarcey continued scratching away in his tiny handwriting. Then Madame Yvette walked across the room with a rustling noise of silk petticoats, arrived at the large table, loaded with heaps of papers and magazines, behind which her enemy was feigning to work, and, delicately bend ing her thumb and third finger, flip



AND referencesives 14年11日11日11日 And he loved one who loved him not. Yvette Guilbert.

she sent a sonorous fillip on the ear of the Prince de la Critique. Was it meant as an insult or as a joke? Sarcey did not know, evidently, and would not decide for the worst, for he politely got up and said, like a courtier of old: "Pardon, Madame; I was just busy with you in mind, and had to come to a full stop before I could attend to you in person. What can I do for you? And, please,

if it is to be long, sit down."

She sat down. My position was become ing very awkward indeed. 'M. Sarcey," said Yvette, "you are a

"Ah, bah!" answered Sarcey, quietly.
"A cad!" repeated Madame Yvette.

"You have already said so, Madame," replied the critic, with a suave smile, and I am sure you will find something else in your rich repertory, if you think a little about it-take your time, please." "An insolent! And I have come to

mmand you to stop your cowardly-"A coward! Allons, ça marche—"
"Your cowardly attack on a woman— "May I observe," interrupted Sarcey, that the woman, as far as private woman

goes, is totally unknown to me, and I shall never, oh, never, Madame, dare comcomise an innocent creature whom all Paris knows to be so, no-Madame Yvette got up; her face was

drawn about the mouth, and her lips were working in a nervous and constant twitch showing her rather elongated teeth. She could scarcely stand on her feet. "Vous permettez?" said Sarcey. "You see, this heap of white sheets must be

covered by twelve, and I believe that we have no more to say to each other.' He took his pen again, looked at its point, dipped it, but went no further for the moment. Madame Yvette, mad with an uncontrollable furore, took the heavy brass inkstand which was on the table

innocent sheets ready to receive her enemy's insulting prose.
"La!" she said; "they were to be soiled, they are soiled! Good-bye, M.

and, in a twink, turned it over on the

Sarcey. "Good-bye, Madame Yvette," answered 'our uncle," with assumed calmness, but saw that he was boiling with anger. There are still ink and paper to be had around the corner, and you will be the

He rang his bell, collected the few remaining clean sheets of paper, and, grow-ling, passed into his small library to finish his article.

"Every year," said the professor, "a sheet of water fourteen feet thick is raised to the clouds from the sea." "What time of the year does it happen, professor?" asked a freshman. "I should think it would be a sight worth going to see."



e Russian—What are you waiting for i Just go straight at him! e Frenchman—Yes, and let him swallow up me and my ship! There's room for both of us in his maw.—Humoristisch

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Anecdotal

An Episcopal bishop took his daughter to a convention, a guileless, unworldly girl, unused to the ways of cities. She dined out with some friends one evening, and when a glass of wine was poured out for her she drank it. She was not used to drinking wine of any kind, and her hostess, knowing this, presently said:
"I hope the wine won't affect you." The
girl smiled happily. "Oh, yes," said she, I am conscious of a feeling due to the wine, but-but I don't find it at all an-

An English clergyman was walking through the outskirts of his parish one evening, when he saw one of his parishioners very busy whitewashing his cottage. The parson, pleased at these somewhat novel signs of cleanliness, called out, "Well, Jones, I see you are making your house nice and smart." With a mysterious air, Jones, who had recently taken the house, descended the ladder and slowly walked to the hedge which separated the garden from the road. "That's not 'xactly the reason why I'm doing this 'ere job," he whispered, "but the last two couples who lived in this 'ere cottage 'ad twins; so I says to my missus, I'll take an' whitewash the place, so as there mayn'

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be no infection. Ye see, sir, as 'ow we got ten of 'em already.'

Joseph Jefferson, at a recent dinner in New York, said that when called upon for a curtain speech in New Haven, Billy Florence once delivered himself thus: "It is here, and to you, ladies and gentlemen, that I owe my present success in my profession. knew each other when boys and girls. We played marbles together under the shadow of the old church, and now to receive this warm welcome from old friends-what can I say? Simply that I never can forget the people of Hartford. A man in the front row said: "This is New Haven, Mr. Florence." "I mean New Haven, of course," said Florence

A certain Archbishop of Dublin was, toward the end of his life, afflicted by an absent-mindedness that often led to start ling developments. In the midst of a dinner given by the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, the company was startled by seeing the Archbishop rise from his seat looking pale and agitated, and crying: "It has come, it has come!" "What has come, your Grace?" eagerly cried half a dozen ices from different parts of the table. What I have been expecting for some years-a stroke of paralysis," solemnly answered the Archbishop. "I have been pinching myself for the last two minutes, and find my leg entirely without sensation." "Pardon me, my dear Archbishop said the hostess, looking up to him with a quizzical smile, "pardon me for contradicting you, but it is me you have been pinching!

A Vague Locality.

A Voice That is Still-Some Table Decorations-A Little Christmas Shopper.

HE sweet bye and bye has been long a region full of saccharine possibilities, of which good people have howled and warbled when one wanted to enjoy a quiet Sunday, but there is a new country on the map of the poet's dreamland, and I present it to anyone of an adventurous and Christopher Columbus stripe with due respect and bewilderment. The Bornless Beyond is the very latest. Do you want to go?

One of the voices of Gotham is stilled. It was a voice which respected neither slumber, nerves nor midday tranquillity. It rattled out its startling message and a thousand echoes repeated it, but it is hushed now. They have put rubber tires the New York fire-engines! They tried one the other day and it proved a great success. Hereafter the song of the bells will be the only warning, added to the tremendous frantic beat of the horses hoofs on the cobbles and the asphalt, as the engine flashes past with half-clothed men clinging on by their eyebrows as they wriggle into waterproofs and struggle into long boots. For even such a slight amelioration of the din, folks are grateful. It's a move in the right direction.

Someone has written for hints on table decoration. It is possible to obtain minute and artistic directions from books specially written on the subject, but I conclude that my correspondent either cannot or will not avail herself of their instructions. The first thing to consider in table decora tion is not the expense; very beautiful effects can be secured with very small expenditure if the effect is kept steadily in view. The size and shape of the table comes first. You cannot build a cartwheel decoration, which is so dainty and simple on anything but a round table, neither are ribbons suspended effective except on a circular board. You can seat more peris at a round table; therefore, for your large dinners have a great circle made, to est on your ordinary oblong extension table. For the circle are festoonings of milax, strands radiating from a center to the outer festoons to form spokes of the wheel conceit, a six-pointed star for a table of twelve or twenty-four, a fivepointed for fifteen, ten, or twenty. For these close strands of smilax, autumn leaves or violets and their foliage have been beautifully employed. The centerpiece on any table should never be a barricade between guests seated vis a-vis, unless for some reason you wish to shut one from the view of the other. And whatever your centerpiece is, have it good of its kind ; cheap silk, bargain day satin, tumbled chiffon or mussy embroidery are too often seen, when a plain well-ironed damask cloth would be much more refined and pretty. Be shy of ribbons unles you can afford rich good ones. Cheap riboons are detestably vulgar. For a long table a high central epergne with candelabra at either end is the usual decoration. must have something pronounced to take off the lunch-counter look of the long narrow board. Solitaire glasses with their one rich bloom may be used at round or square tables, but never at a long narroy one. The effect is terribly monotonous. Shades, candles and color of decorations and flowers should correspond. Don't try to have Meteor roses and red candles and shades with Dresden china candela-The vivid crimson will kill your dainty Dresden pinks and blues and creams. A vivid color shows well with a good deal of crystal. Silver goes beautifully also with the deep red. A silver basket of Meteor roses is delightful; a white and gold one is inexpressibly tawdry. Little things make or mar the effect of table decoration. A slab of good plate mirror with green chiffon border, and grasses and irises or water lilies is most effective, but not if it reflects

a gasolier. It must lie on a table lighted

from side brackets and candlesticks with

pale green shades and candles. A bright

dinner table may be done in yellow, the

cloth with lace insertion over yellow silk,

the center of white and gold embroidery

or chiffon softly crinkled, the chandel er shrouded in gold-colored silk shades or

crepe paper ones, for the light must flood

the yellow table from above. The brilliant

yellow of chrysanthemums is the one for

this table. Ribbons may form a radius

and the ends be cut in long single points. The menu cards and name cards are in white and gold, and Venetian wine glasses and claret jugs decorated with gold are elegant touches. Claret, by the way, ems out of tint-champagne is the wine for the yellow table. Pink is the tint for the young folks' dinner, white and green for the debutante's feast. Holly and ivy for Xmas festivities with red and green ribbons. Blue is not often used; combined with pink, with Frenchy effect in true lover's knots, it is de rigueur for that happy spread given in honor of the betrothal of the son or daughter of the house.

To-day I met the little maid doing her Christmas shopping. She was starting early, because the shops were not crowd ed, and her small purse was snugly tucked away in her small pocket, and she clung to her small mother's arm and studied out ssibilities in a very matronly way. I think it must be good for the youngsters to let them work these things out themselves; it is certainly a great delight to them, as even after all these years I can remember. The cogitations, the impulses, the hesitations, the second thoughts, the repentances when some other more delightful object came into view too late! We had no bargain faces then. It never occurred to us to buy cheap things. Cheap and nasty was a tradition of the small person to whose arm we should have clung, like my little maid of to-day, had it not been the fashion for small girls to keep their distance. I can fancy the dignifled withdrawal of the small person had I pushed my fat hand through her primly set arms, when we went shopping to gether. I should have been turned down in very short order, and made to feel myself a Hittite and a Hivite of the most pronounced hue.

The Wonderful World.

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Great, wide, beautiful, wonderful World With the wonderful water 'round you curled,
And the wonderful grass upon your breast— World, you are beautifully drest,

The wonderful air is over m And the wonderful wind is shaking the tree It walks on the water, and whirls the mi And talks to itself on the tops of the hills. You friendly Earth! how far do you go

With the wheat fields that nod and the river that flow, With cities, and gardens, and cliffs, and isles

And people upon you for thousands of miles? Ah, you are so great, and I am so small, I tremble to think of you, World, at all; And yet, when I said my prayers to-day, A whisper inside me seen

You are more than the earth, though you are You can love and think, and the Earth can-

The New York Four Hundred. MATRIMONIAL TANGLES.

HE mix-up caused by the many matrimonial entanglements of the elect of the fashionable world is nowhere shown to such disadvantas during the week devoted to the exhibition-ostensibly-of horseflesh, but in reality of the men and women who figure prominently in the fashionable world of the first city of America, says a writer in a New York paper.

There was a time-not so many years go, either-when all the world knew who the great social leaders of New York were. The first Horse Show, for example, occurred when the reign of Mrs. William Astor was absolutely undisputed.

The Astors in those simple days stood for everything that was fine and dignified, and Mrs. William Astor was admittedly the grande dame of society. People went to look at the Astors in their box at the Horse Show very much as the English public goes to gaze upon sacred royalty. Next to the Astors came the Belmonts. Then the Vanderbilts, Mrs. Willie K. in the lead, and acknowledged to be a possible rival of the women of the Astor family.

The Belmonts and Astors were very intimate at this time. Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont was Miss Sallie Whiting.

There were no divorces in good society, no unpleasant matrimonial cations ever reached the ears of the

Indeed, Mrs. Paran Stevens, who was society godmother for many and many an aspirant, and very liberal in her views. declared that she would undertake to successfully launch any fairly well educated woman into good society, provided she had plenty of money and there was no divorce in her history.

No divorcee will ever make a society leader in this country," said Mrs. Stevens but a few months before she died. Ward McAllister made practically the same assertion. In fact, he was more decisive, for he said "it would destroy society were

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In the old days the exclusive set-oc cupying the choice boxes and seats at the Horse Show-gave one the feeling of the happy reunion of a large, united and most affectionate family.

Everybody knew everyone else, and Astors, Vanderbilts, Belmonts, Roosevelts, Wilsons, Kernochans, Whitings, Riveses, Goelets, Careys, Havemeyers, Livingstons, Dodges, Stokeses, Gerrys, De Peysters-all the well known men and women smiled and chatted across their boxes, paid friendly visits and presented a delightful picture of harnony and good will, and an excellent object lesson in amiability and good fellowship to those who came to see.

To-day the picture presented at the horse show is certainly not one uplifting in its moral tone to the masses

Society divided against itself-split up into cliques innumerable—displays a pitiful picture of the wreckage which has been wrought by divorce and discord.

The Astors have apparently retired from the field, and we no longer find Mrs. William Astor-stately and charmingthe center of a group of beautiful daughters and distinguished husbands. The Cole man Drayton divorce case must be held accountable for her quasi-retirement. In place of the Willie K. Vanderbilts

chatting gayly with the O. H. P. Bel-monts the public was favored during the week of the show with the spectacle of the former Mrs. Willie K. Vanderbilt (who is now Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont) seated in the box next but one to Mr. Belmont's first wife, who was iborn Miss Whiting, and is now Mrs. George Rives.

A little further along the Cornelius

Vanderbilts-who were formerly Mrs. Willie K.'s relatives in law and supposedly dearest friends-gazed in stony disapproval at the O.H.P. Belmont box.

The feud between the Vanderbilts and Belmonts has entangled most of the prominent social leaders.

The Belmonts so resent Mrs. Vanderbilt's marriage to O. H. P. Belmont that no one who recognizes the Lady Ava, as she is called, need expect to be received by any member of the great Belmont clan. All Vanderbilts, to the second or third generation, are bitter to the extreme limit in their views of Mrs. O. H. P.

The Wilsons, who were formerly such devoted friends of the Cornelius Vanderbilts, are alienated from that branch of the family because of the marriage of young Cornelius to Grace Wilson, a union which Cornelius, sr., refuses to recognize. This makes a second division in society,

carrying with it the Goelet clan, incidentally involving the Harry Payne Whitneys the young Pagets, and all the Webb family, and the Gerrys and Roosevelts. Jays, Kernochans, Hamilton Fishes and Goelets.

Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont is acknowledged to be a woman of tremendous force, and it is thoroughly believed that she has set out in defiance of precepts and also of history to become the most powerful woman, socially, of New York society.

She has two devoted and loyal social dherents, at least. Stuyvesant Fish and Mrs. Hermann

In declaring themselves partisans of Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, Mrs. Fish and Mrs. Oelrichs have been compelled to revise their own visiting lists, for it would be manifestly unpleasant for either of these ladies to run the chance of having to receive the Cornelius Vanderbilts or the Perry Belmonts while Mrs. O. H. P. was also their guest.

There never was such a muddle in "'igl ociety" from a certain point of view, and there is no parallel unless it may be in the condition of the luxurious classes at the time of the Napoleonic directory.

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BARBIE.-Say, little one, I don't think you'll ver be a crotchety old maid, nor probably a ery sedate matron either. There will alway e a little twinkle in your eye. You are easily afluenced, and like the opposite sex: it is observed to be set in the sex of the sex retty ways, adore pretty things, are bright and decided, love company and chatter freely, Your nature is not quite developed yet. You'll be something nice if you're wise, and bring out the force that I'm sure is hid somewhere GLADYS .- A very exciting revelation that

was. You ought not to tell everything at once. But for the young dame who gets up at noon on Sunday, scribbles off a study and im-mediately falls to and devours dumplings, one mustn't say too much. In fact, in consideration of the decided crudeness of the study won't say a thing.

CORSICA.—So they were, my boy! Your study is excellent. Dash and decision, constancy and vitality, pride, perhaps of birth, ensible mind, careful method, dis honesty and truth are yours.

ENQUETE.-It is not necessary to leave card when you attend the reception. You call afterwards, and whether you attend it or not. The ticket enclosed admits you to the church and is the only way to avoid an irresponsible crowd and its comments, which the bride's peo-ple can adopt. Don't be silly about it, that's a good soul.

INNOCENT ANNE.-1. A bal poudre means simply a dance at which the regulations re quire the ladies to wear powder on their hair

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LUDOVIC. - See answer 3 to Innocent Anne 2. Your writing shows great nervous force, ambition, pride and obstinacy. No, I don't think you'd get on as a traveling companion. but if you try, get a very good-natured and careless employer; you will manage his affairs honestly, and, as you remark, you know the Continent thoroughly. Respect others as much as yourself as yourself.

Honey Bunch.-1. We are snowed under, too, Boston! You should see us this Monday morning. 2. Your writing shows artistic taste, appreciative mind, love of beauty, and son imagination. You are generous, both in your estimate of yourself and dealings with others; some hasty impulse is shown, and an enterprising, cheerful and rather dashing The writing of a somewhat susceptible and

RAMMOC.-1. Is that your name, my five oot-ten student? It's so curiously written ean't interpret it any better. 2. You are original, a morsel affected, very bright, capable concentration, ambitious, adaptable, and mewhat impatient. You would not be likely to sit tranquilly down and reason, rather das out and act, thinking coming second. Self-preservation is good, some susceptibility, and an optimistic tendency; good sequence of ideas. I think you see quickly and generally correctly. Don't rely always on your intuitions because you find them often correct; sometimes they vill surely lead you wrong. You ought to

ENID .- Sorry you had to wait. Your writing clever but crude. You are strong, impulsive, earty, but lack tact and intuition. Ambition ucceed, some talent, freedom of expression not always prudent, honest intent, and very keen and clear grasp of material issues mark this study. Writer would succeed in cases when a more sensitive and complex nature would renounce the struggle.

M. E. J.-Your writing shows a good deal of quiet force and an independent nature. You mean what you say, lean on your own muscles, and trust nobody without consideration. You are persevering, sensible, practical and eco ical. If all the world were of your make it would be a good world, but it wouldn't be worth while for me to try to live in it.

The Old Beau

BY EDGAR FAWCETT. How cracked and poor his laughter rings

How dulled his eye, once flashing warm. But still a courtly pathos clings About his bent and withered form.

To-night, where mirth and music dwells His wrinkled cheeks, his locks of snow, learn near the grandsons of the belles He smiled on forty years ago,

We watch him here, and half believe Dur gaze may witness, while he prates Death, like a footman, touch his sleeve And tell him that the carriage waits

Fact Noted at 'Ome. Canadian Gazette (London)

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Some Side Questions. EADERS of the newspapers and magazines frequently come across articles dealing with the question of keeping boys on the farms, time, as to why it is

that young men flock

to towns, and as to how this tendency might be cured. It is quite apparent to nearly all of us that some day the people of North America will be in a bad way unless farming, as an occupation, regains favor. That young men leave the farm and endure a great deal of worry for very little reward is shown in a story of a man who, after twelve years' absence, asked a country postmaster about his boys.

"Well, was the answer, "Jack, my oldest boy, he's a minister without a pulpit. Fred, the next one, he's a lawyer without a client, and William, the third one, he's a teacher without any school. But I've got some hopes of Sam, the youngest of the lot," said the head of the family with commendable cheerfulness. 'He's set out to be a farmer without any land; but he's hired out a piece and worked it to halves, and we ate vege tables off it all summer. I paid him for supplying our family, and when he'd settled his bill for what he put into the ground to start with, he had within fifty cents of what he owed the bey that had helped him hoe and so on all summer. And I handed him over that fifty cents with a real light heart, and told him he needn't ever think of it again. Yes, his mother and I feel to be encouraged about Sam; we think in the course o' time he'll make a likely farmer."

The value of the ability to write a good letter was accentuated a few weeks ago at the opening of a leading college. "Give this applicant," said the dean, "the best room available, and seat her at my own table. I should be proud to have written her note myself; it lifts her out of the impersonality of one of the new girls into a young woman I shall welcome as a friend." Another example of epistolary triumph comes from a recent biographer of Carlyle. The author's library had been papered and furnished to his entire satisfaction, but on the third day a young lady next door began to practice on her planoforte. Another upheaval, involving the tearing down of a partition and the building of a new chimney, to fit up a new library in a distant part of the house, seemed inevitable. Suddenly Carlyle snatched a paper and wrote so seductive a note to the young stranger that she readily agreed never to play until after two o'clock in the afternoon. It is reported that letter-writing is out of fashion. This is a mistake. The neat, well-phrased and charming letter has its place in society to-day, and confers distinction upon its author.

Does a widower, in Quebec, when getting remarried, drive with his bride and the wedding party to the cemetery to place bouquets on the grave of his first wife? It is reported from a New England town where there are a great many French-Canadians, that there the practice is followed. A lady writer reports that on a recent occasion she witnessed such a performance, and states that the wed-ding party was in gay attire, and returned at a brisk trot, laughing and jolly, the bridegroom wearing on his face "a happy and virtuous smile."

The Archbishop of Canterbury is known as a strong man with a will of iron, and he appears to use his full force on several persons, sometimes. On one occasion a few years ago he was due to preach at a fashionable church in Regent street, when, on arriving at the door of the building, he was astonished to find Mrs. A., an intimate friend of his, in the act of returning to her carriage. "What," asked Dr. I cannot obtain admittance; the place is full." "Do you really wish to stay?" "I came on purpose." "Then take my arm," Dr. Temple said, and pressing them." said, and, pressing through he door. In the blandest manner, Dr. Temple said to that functionary, who evigood as to give this lady the best seat in the church." "Impossible, sir," said the surprised beadle, "the church is quite full." Dr. Temple merely repeated his request, only more emphatically. "Utterly impossible, sir," replied the guardian of the door. "I tell you the church is quite full." "Oh! but," was the crushing re-joinder, "I won't preach if you don't!" This threat at once showed the beadle how the land lay, and his manner im-mediately changed. "Oh! I beg your pardon, my lord," he said. "This way, ma'am." And Mrs. A. secured a seat in the churchwarden's luxurious empty pew, while Dr. Temple preached one of the best sermons of his life.

We have grown so very matter-of-fact in these latter days—and especially so, perhaps, in Canada and the United States -that even love-making is not what it seems to have once been. The romantic quality in courtship has been almost entirely removed, the dramatic and passionate avowals that lovers used to make are generally supposed to have given way to a system of bantering by which lovers arrive at "an understanding." The young man makes half-jesting allusions to marriage which, unless plainly resented, are followed by his appearance some evening at a ball, or a tea, or a baseball match, with a ring in his pocket, which he playfully slips on the girl's finger; and she, playfully resisting, jocularly accepts. The betrothal is not a ceremony, but a lark. At the beginning there is no real engagement, no formal, manly avowal, such as a maiden's soul hungers for; it is a travesty on love-making, as the drama and the romance and the human heart each it to all girls. But this cheap substi-

tute must be accepted by girls of the average class, or they shall get none. Not only love-making, but even the art of flattery is being lost in Canada, and To-ronto ladies often say that the best the average man can do in this direction is to indulge in smart impertinences or jocularities. Even the Irish peasant can teach us something of love-making, and a great and various theories are aired from time to I was in jail for stealin'ye," said a peasant to his colleen. A broth of a boy proposed to Eileen, and as she was already betrothed, she had to refuse him. "Wisha,

Mr. Hooley seems to have pulled down the roof. Despatches from London say

thin," said he with a sigh, "I wish ye had

been born twins, so that I cud have half

expenditure. If these conditions could be attained in all employments, commercial as well as bureaucratic, then no doubt the possession of a million of money would no longer be worth striving for."

Impromptu Lines Written in The Lady's Album.

Two friends one Sunday evening in July. To church repaired, The Lady listening w The night was very wet, the sermon dry,) The Other One, I must confess it, slept.

on coming out the saddened lady cried-Vain was his pleading, his excuses vain—
Don't laugh, you wicked man!" and parting

"I'll never go to church with you again."

E. C. MACKENZIE.

that in the past week the ball of scandal has been set rolling. At many of the more important clubs in London mys- didn't have to investigate everything



ceived, in which grave charges have been made against well known personages to the old, who have had everything, can the effect that they have been making money out of the honor they enjoy in Coal Dealer—At last I have found proposing and seconding candidates. That fearless and perhaps somewhat reckless newspaper devoted to racy gossip, Modern Society, goes the length of saying that the sums paid, which are heavy enough, for membership proposal are proportionately increased if the candidature prove successful. The paper says it could name a gentleman well known in society who makes \$10,000 a year merely by nominating men at clubs. At least enough truth has been brought to light to set all tongues wagging, and to make any story sound

George Bernard Shaw, writing in The Young Man, discusses occupations and compares the pleasures of the tinker and the millionaire: "I am not quite sure that I would not rather be a tinker than a millionaire: but I am absolutely certain that I had rather be a millionaire than a struggling small tradesman, or a city clerk with a pound a week and a family, or a London doctor in general practice with less than a the crowd, the strong figure of the future Archbishop was soon before the beadle at ditions afforded by our present system are to be found in the civil service. In it there is absolute security of livelihood, an dently did not know him, "You will be so income increasing to an ascertained maxi-

Coal Dealer-At last I have found an honest man. Hawkins-Well, what of it? You can't use him in your business.-Life. him in awe. Which girl to love, I can't decide,

My weary soul it vexes; The one who has the big blue I's, Or she who has green X'es.

-Life.

Friend-So the editor sends you his paper free? Poet-Yes; he says I needn't subscribe if I won't contribute any more.-Fliegende Blatter.

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This is the Way of It.

What Is a Gentleman?

ULIAN RALPH give John Brisben Walhalf-page article discusses

the question, "What is the American Idea of a Gentle-man?" Short as is his is not so brief as the reply

do so. He does not object to the hones be Radicals and Republicans while they are nothing of the sort. "The English all love a lord," he says, but we will let Mr. Ralph tell the rest of it in his own way:

I was at Henley once during the regatta and was in a company that included a and the lord, who was ahead, took the wrong route around an island. The ladies in my boat bade me call to him to come back. "But what shall I call?" I asked: shall I yell 'My lord'?"

mob of people on the river bank will guy him. But do call him something, quick." So I called as I would have done in America: "I say, Campbell, not that way." Afterward I told him of my plight and he said, "What you did was exactly the

"Why would they have guyed you if I

have thought you were advertising me. They would have known something was

At a great university I was breakfasting at the table of the faculty. Several exceptionally bright members were around the

This lord was a graduate of that college and was down there for what we call the commencement exercises. His mere presence spoiled the breakfast and comfort of half the faculty, so greatly did they hold

"That cheats me out of my breakfast.
I'll gulp this coffee down and get out." "Why do you want to go away?" asked

the man next to him. "Oh, I sha'n't be comfortable. I think

I'll slip away."
"I'll go, too," said another.
"And I too," said a third.

"What you don't understand," said I, is that we elect a platform rather than a man. It doesn't matter much what Mc-Kinley's views were or are about silver or my environment! I had come there as the anything else. He must accept the plat-

that. We think we elect platforms or

After that he fell into the conversation, and as he told me much that was import-

some definitions of the word "gentleman" as he thought he found it understood among Englishmen in the Cosmopolitan, and

ker in a very short and inadequate

treatment of the subject it of a Torontonian who, when asked what makes a man a gentleman in Canada, said:
"A swallow-tail coat." But this person

was in a bitter state of mind at the time. Julian Ralph says that there are two classes in England that affect little or no respect for the nobility—the considerable body of socialists and a tiny body of cads. You can suspect both. The Radicals inveigh against the titled class at meetings over which they have not succeeded in getting a nobleman or knight to preside. The cads affect to despise rank, but follow after titled persons whenever permitted to feeling of the English people towards rank and only complains of those who pretend to

lord. We were rowing in several boats,

"Oh, for heaven's sake, no," said one; if you call him a lord out loud the whole

had called you a lord?" I asked.
"Because," said he, "they would not have believed I was one, or they would

table and we were all very merry and at ease. Suddenly a professor entered, evidently excited, and said: "Lord Bulwark (a famous man and member of the government) is here. He was put up in young So-and-So's room by the dean last night. He'll be in to breakfast in a minute."

"Oh, pshaw!" exclaimed one professor.

Only three of us remained, and we went on talking. The subject was the American presidential contest. The door opened to let in the dean and a man with a large, round, pleasant face.

income increasing to an ascertained maximum just when a young married man wants his income to increase, and the social dignity which is only enjoyed in positions where worth is not measured by

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plain man, and I treated him as I would American Revolution ?" "No." said the wish to treat a casual acquaintance anywhere—on an omnibus or in a drawing-room. Hours afterward he saw me in the ward and visible sign of the largest milicollege grounds and came up and asked tary society in the United States."
me to visit him in London. We drew "What's its name?" "Society of the aside and talked again for a while. To me this was all quite natural and common phia Press.

place, but not so to the others.
But what a marked change it made in acquaintance of one gentleman and now I form of the convention that nominated him and he must abide by it."

"Why, that's quite new," said the big man, who was of course the expected Cabinet Minister. "May I be introduced to this gentleman?" This being done, he added, "I should like to hear more about that. We think we elect platforms or order how to the control of the cont

"What's that button you're wearing?



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THE WEEKLY SUN, 26 Adelaide St. West, Toronto.

Dr. Charles Vincent, the eminent English composer who recently visited Canada, has written to a London music journal his impressions of the musical life in this country as noted by him during his brief sojourn amongst us. I regret that lack of space prevents the use of his entire article, but the following extracts will probably be of greatest general interest: During my recent short visit to Canada I met many of the chief musicians in the Dominion, and was enabled to form some idea as to the general state of music in Canada. . . . Traveling westward one finds the proportion of English-speaking people gradually increasing—at Montreal, which is a beautiful and important city of 300,000 inhabitants, I should think one fifth are British. Montreal is a city of churches; I do not think I have ever seen such a fine collection of ecclesiastical buildings in any city of this size. I must give a word of praise to the Canadians for their organs, and was much impressed by their size, quality of tone, and modern appli ances. They are French in character, and display much ingenuity. . . . Toronto is a much more English city than either of the others, the population being chiefly British. At Ottawa it is fairly evenly divided; the farther West one goes the more British the population is. Toronto is a very active place, musically speaking. Mr. Torrington, organist of the Metro politan church, the pioneer of music into this city, is the principal of the Toronto College, an active, well conducted institution which has turned out some excellent musicians. The Toronto Conservatoire is a magnificent building, with fine concert hall and modern organ—the principal of this institution being Mr. E. Fisher. . . . During my stay in Montreal there was a convocation of Church of England clergymen, and I had the pleasure of meeting several, and have undertaken to send out for one of these gentlemen, a young organist of ability-for whom there would be a good opening. I can recommend this place to a well trained earnest gentlemanly young musician who wishes to succeed in one of the finest countries in the world, and shall be glad to hear from such an one. The musicians of Canada, one and all, are very much exercised at the introduction by the Associated Board of a teacher's diploma, the syllabus for which appears to be of a very low grade. I have written on this subject in the November number of the official journal of the Incorporated Society of Musicians, therefore need not go into the matter now. I was decidedly impressed by the music and musicians of Canada, and can assure the powers that be in Eugland that Canadians do not require or desire

Notwithstanding that statistical reports of Wagnerian performances in Germany and elsewhere prove that the works of the mighty genius of Bayreuth are constantly increasing in popular favor, there still remain a certain type of musical sapheads who are ready to declare that the cause of Wagner's music is doomed. Once upon a time a man named Rowbotham vrote a long article to prove that the Wagner bubble had burst-especially in London. It was some time afterward that Mr. Grau gave Der Ring des Nibelungen without cuts at Covent Garden. He is going to do the same thing in New York. Nevertheless that Wagner bubble has burst again, in Chicago, with a loud report. The proof of the explosion is taken from a Chicago journal of polite literature: "During the somewhat acrimonious and protracted family discussion between Wotan and Fricka last evening Herr Altschule, who had escaped to the Auditorium bar, expatiated at great length on the deference of Herr Grau to exacting Cook county 'You will remember,' he said, that it was the intention, as per previous advertisements, to repeat Lohengrin next Tuesday evening, but such a storm of adverse popular criticism was raised that the management very properly decided to withdraw this tedious work and substi- Webb's on Monday last by the Totute therefor the world-renowned and immortal masterpiece, Martha. Thus is the occasion being the second the old saw of vox populi, etc., vindicated. Ladies' Night given under the auspices It must be apparent to everybody, he continued, 'that despite the outpouring this gramme of music, in which several proevening the interest in Wagner opera is minent members of the club and some of steadily declining. It is absurd to sup- the gnests took part, was followed by pose that our romantic age and genera- refreshments and an hour of social intertion can be absorbed by the antics of a course. Dr. Fisher, president of the club, vicious and ridiculously henpecked old in a few well chosen remarks spoke of the god like Wotan, who resembles nothing origin and aims of the society, its growth more closely than a bewhiskered Kansas populist, and whose long pow-wows and washing of the family linen are wearisome in the extreme. How much more to the public taste are the sweet and sympathetic strains of the idyllic Martha. with its pure picture of romantic love and its fascinating study of emotional insanity. Happily the public wishes must considered, and the dethronement of that tiresome old Wotan, Wagner, is now assured. Valhalla is burning and the twilight of the gods has come !"

any lowering of syllabus or standard."

Mr. Gericke's return to Boston to conduct the famous Symphony Orchestra of that city has given occasion for the leading critics of the Hub and New York to indulge in considerable comment as to relative merits of this, that or the other virtuoso" conductor who may have held forth in the two cities mentioned during recent years. Seidl, Nikisch, Paur, Thomas, and others are all reviewed in turn, but the opinion seems to prevail the Dominion. The same argument might that the greatest degree of technical fluish and proficiency has been shown by the men now again under Gericke's baton, although there appears to be an equally strong opinion prevalent that this great drillmaster lacks most decidedly in other elements which should enter into the interpretation of the music he conducts with such admirable smoothness. Mr. W. J. Henderson, the learned music critic of the New York Times, in moralizing upon modern worship of virtuosity in orchestral conducting, says: "That the return of Mr. Gericke to Boston and the absentia degree operations of the Canadian advent of Mr. Paur in New York will College, for the outside examining body cause much comment, caustic or costly, is to be allowed to conduct business on cert on Thursday evening of last week.

conductor-worship. The man who stands with his back impolitely turned upon an attentive audience and waves a little stick is the recipient of adulation second only to that bestowed upon tenors with smorzando effects in their eyes, prima donnas with flawless timbre in diamonds, and pianists with hair like football-players. So many people seem to think that it all comes out of the little -the soaring song of the violins, the organ-like breathing of the wood-wind, the pealing challenge of the brass, and the throbbing rhythm of the drums. It all comes out of the little stick, and the creative force is in the conductor. Heaven dead, or if not, he lives in Europe. So he does not count."

A correspondent enquires whether there is any truth in the report that Sir Alex ander Mackenzie or Sir Arthur Sullivan will visit Canada next summer in interests of the Associated Board of the R.A.M. and R.C.M. It is extremely unlikely that either of these gentlemen will come to this country, although the profession in Canada, and more particularly those who are opposed to Mr. Aitken's blessed 'philanthropy" scheme, most sincerely wish that the field in Canada might be inspected by someone of their standing. Mr. Grinsted, an employee of the concern, ome time ago hinted in the public press at the possibility of either Sir Arthur or Sir Alexander coming over last month to "inaugurate" the examinations of the Associated Board here, but, of course, they failed to materialize. It is more than probable that Mr. Aitken himself will appear in June next to personally oversee the operations of his examiners and to inspect and figure on the profits for the year of the sheet music department of the Board in Canada. Our music dealers do not appear to be burdening their shelves with the Board's publica tions, notwithstanding the honest belief of our old fashioned friend, Mr. Aitken, that his scheme would be a blessing to Canada and that the people of this country should deem it a privilege to be "ex amined" by his people. There has been such an element of grotesqueness, not to mention an utter lack of dignity, in the manner in which Mr. Aitken and his employees have introduced their philanthropy business into this country, that the great institutions represented by these gentlemen have not by any means been elevated thereby in the eves of Canadians. And more's the pity!

The announcement of the resignation of Dr. Edward Fisher from the position which he has held for twenty years with such conspicuous success as organist and choirmaster of St. Andrew's church, King street, will be heard with much surprise by all who have not been aware of the immense pressure of Dr. Fisher's other duties in connection with the oversight and development of the affairs of the Conservatory of Music. The step was reluctantly and regretfully taken by Dr. Fisher, his warm attachment to the appointment and affection for the splendid instrument which, thanks largely to his personal influence and efforts, the congregation now possesses, having moved him to continue his duties at St. Andrew's much longer than would otherwise have been the case. Much regret is felt by the congregation of St. Andrew's at Dr. Fisher's decision, after so many years of honorable service. The appointment at Canada. One of Warren's finest threemanual organs, with forty-one speaking stops, a church which is, acoustically considered, one of the best in the country and a congregation counting among its members a number of the most prominent and influential citizens of Toronto, will doubtless prove a strong magnet in enabling the congregation to secure a suc essor to Dr. Fisher who shall be worthy of the appointment.

A delightful evening was spent at ronto Clef Club and a number of invited and prospects, and predicted a long and useful career for the organization. The following musical programme was rendered in a manner worthy of the accon plished performers who participated : Beethoven, Trio C Minor Op. I ffirst move ment), Mr. Frank S. Welsman, Mrs. Dreschler-Adamson and Mr. Paul Hahn Blumenthal, Serenade, Mr. J. M. Sherlock Franz Ries, Adagio, Miss L. Dreschler-Adamson : Massenet, Les Larmes, Depart Bizet, Habanera (Carmen), Miss Margaret Huston; Paderewski, Variations in A Major, Miss Ada E. S. Hart; Bartlett, A Dream, Miss Lash; Adams, The Maid of Malabar, Mr. Rechab Tandy; Liszt, Rhap-No. 12, Mr. Frank S. Welsman, Mr. T. A. Plakeley was the accompanist.

Champions of the Associated Board's speculation in Canada contend that should the Board secure a certain number of candidates here next summer this fact ould justify the concern's operations in have been employed by Trinity College, Toronto, in its English venture some years ago. At the time when agitation against the Canadian college was strong est in England it was enjoying an exceedingly liberal patronage, and the discussion which then occupied a large amount of space in English musical journals relative to the ethics of the affair, proved that the Toronto institution had hosts of supporters among the profession in England. This, however, was not considered a suffi-

English territory. On similar grounds the fact that a certain class here may, and doubtless will, patronize Mr. Aitken's 'Imperial Federation" movement, should not be deemed by some of the very gentlemen who opposed Trinity College, Toronto, a justification of the Board's projected movement for our artistic uplifting.

The prospects for a fine performance of Handel's immortal Messiah on Thursday evening next are particularly encouraging. Mr. Torrington reports most satisfactory rehearsal work with the chorus and orchestra, and financially the perform ance, thanks to the personal canvass and efforts of Mr. Torrington, Mr. Shortt and help the poor composer! He is usually others, promises a very substantial sur-Mlle. Trebelli, the eminent vocalist, as has already been announced, has been engaged as solo soprano, and the other supporting artists, chosen from among our leading local singers, will give a good account of themselves and prove by their work the wisdom of Mr. Torrington in choosing them for the exacting solo work of the popular oratorio. It now remains for our citizens to turn out en masse, and by their presence encourage Mr. Torrington and all who are taking part in the perform ance to persevere in the good cause of oratorio in Toronto, and thereby raise this fine art form to the point which it held some years ago in this city as a most important factor in our musical life. The plan of the hall is now open at Massey

A large audience attended the recital given by pupils of Mrs. J. W. Bradley in the music hall of the Conservatory of Music on Thursday evening of last week. Among those taking part in the recital were such well known singers as Miss Mabel de Geer and Miss Edythe Hill, besides the following list of promising pupils, namely: Misses Maude Dwight, Robinson, Gertrude O'Hara, Margaret Snyder, Maude Zoncar, Muriel Hunt, Eleanor Mullen, Helen Church, Mrs. Henry Hamilton and Mrs. William Stone. The character of the songs rendered and the manner in which they were interpreted, both as regards tone production and the equally important matter of style and expression, again showed Mrs. Bradley in a most favorable light as a careful and capable instructress. The programme was agreeably varied by selections rendered by Miss Rena McCullough, a piano pupil of Miss Dallas ; Mr. Leelie R. Bridgman, A.T.C.M., organist of Zion Congregational church, and Miss Netta Marshall, pupil of the Conservatory School of Elocu

A recital by piano pupils of Miss Maud Gordon of the Conservatory of Music staff was given in the music hall of the Cor servatory on Tuesday evening last, and was attended by a very large audience. The excellent playing of those who took part in the well-arranged programme which had been prepared, reflected most creditably upon Miss Gordon and those who were chosen to represent her work as a teacher on this occasion. The following young ladies played: Misses Grace Hill, Rena Winter, Winnifred Young, Edith Dignam, Etta Corin, Hazel Hedley, Sara Bradley, Maude McLean, Mabel Beddoe, Maude Schooley, Mollie O'Donoghue, Ethelda Wallace and Mabel Patterson Vocal solos by Miss Emily Heintzman and Mr. E. A. Coulthard, pupils of Mr. Tandy, and a recitation by Miss Mabel Dennis of the School of Elocution, were also given during the evening, and much enjoyed by those present. Miss Gordon is entitled to congratulations upon the thorough and artistic work of her pupils as exemplified

Miss Lola Ronan recently sang at a concert given in Gananoque, and scored a pronounced success. The Gananoque Re porter says of her singing on this occa-"Miss Ronan is the fortunate possessor of a contralto voice of great richness and volume of tone. In her selections she showed careful and conscientious study and succeeded in rendering each work in a way that would have called forth the acknowledgment of the rers."-Puck. privileged to hear her. It is needless to say that the audience immediately realized that they were listening to an artist of more than ordinary ability. Miss Ronan has a most pleasing manner and generous ly responded to the numerous encores she was rewarded with." Mr. Nassau Eigen of this city, who also sang, and Mrs. Eagen, who accompanied, are also spoken of in very complimentary terms by the

The organ recital given in Jarvis street Baptist church on Saturday afternoon last by Miss Florence Brown attracted a large and critical audience. Miss Brown's excellent technical ability and her sound musicianship were illustrated in such works as the great fugue in G minor by Bach, two numbers by Dubois, In Paradisium and Fiat Lux; Dudley Buck's O Holy Night, Boellmann's Suite Gothique, and numbers by Guilmant, Thomas and Chauvet. Miss Edythe Hill, a talented pupil of Mrs. J. W. Bradley, sang in good style and voice Grainer's Hosanna and Mendelssohn's O Rest in the Lord. The next recital of this series will be given by Miss Jessie Perry, the accomplished organist of Elm street Methodist church.

On Saturday afternoon last a piano recital of much interest was given by a number of the most talented pupils of Mi-s Hamilton at her studio, 26 Metcalfe street. The following pupils took part: Misses Lena Morrison, Ethel Kinnear Bertha Mason, Alice Love, Mary Jeffrey Maud Butt, Mabel Love, Ross Pringle and Edith Nicoll. The clever work of these pupils served to display to advantage the care which had been exercised in their instruction by their capable teacher. Miss Hobson, a pupil of Mr. Tandy, took part in the programme, and contributed in no small measure to the success of the recital.

The Metropolitan School of Music recital hall was the scene of an interesting conThe programme was given by: The Misses Marion Thorne, Ida Logan, Louie Duck worth, Ethel Mountain, pianists: Bessie Florence Galbraith, readers Nellie H. Walmsley, violinist; and Bertha Rogers, vocalist. While there was much to praise in almost every number, the three performers last named made a con spicuous impression. The teachers repre sented by pupils were: Miss Jaffray, Miss H. S. Taylor, Mrs. Roberts, Mr. Peter C. Kennedy and Miss Belle H. Noonan.

Rev. Morgan Wood will deliver an ad dress on Music a Moral Factor, at a service of praise to be given at Bond street Congregational church on Wednesday even ing, Dec. 14, under the direction of Mr. A B. Jury, organist and choirmaster, Mr. Wood's ability is well known and this should be an opportunity to hear him speak on a subject that is one of the great educating forces in our midst. The choir has prepared an excellent musical service and, with the soprano soloist, Mrs. A. B. Jury, will be assisted by some of the best local talent. A collection will be taken in aid of the choir fund.

At a recent private musicale given by pupils of Mr. W. J. McNally, the follow ing participated in the instrumental part of the programme: Misses Williams Marks, Aylesworth, Ethel de Nure, Edith Gourlay and Master George McKenzie. Compositions from the works of Liszt, Heller, Lack, Hollender, Schubert, Rachmaninoff, Chaminade and Moszkowski were rendered in a manner most creditable to those taking part, as well as to their talented instructor. Violin and vocal solos were contributed by Messrs Switzer and Breckenridge respectively with good effect.

Of Miss Fredrica Paul's recent appearance in London the News of that city says: "Miss Fredrica Paul of the Toronto College of Music sang four solos, of which one was in response to an encore. Miss Paul understands the art of using a voice of exceptional quality, and is altogether a most accomplished and charming singer. Miss Paul is pursuing her studies under Mr. F. H. Torrington at the Toronto College of Music.

The annual concert given by the Ladies Glee Club of the University of Toronto will be held this year on Tuesday, December 13, in Guild Hall, McGill street. The assistance of Miss Mae Dickinson, so prano; Mr. George Fox, violinist, and Mr. Grenville P. Kleiser, elocutionist, has been secured. The plan of the hall is at the warerooms of Messrs. Gourlay, Winter & Leeming.

The interest which is being taken in ingland in the Associated Board's Cana dian local examination schemes, and the sympathy which has been wakened for Canadian musicians in this matter, is fur ther illustrated in a vigorous editorial article in London Truth of November 23. which is reproduced on page nine of this week's issue of SATURDAY NIGHT.

The Hatch Music Company of Philadelphia publish a clever Slumber Song from the pen of the well known Canadian musician, Mr. Angelo M. Read, who is now located in Buffalo, N.Y. The words and music of the song are both by Mr. Read, whose talents in composition have frequently been noted in these columns. MODERATO.

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The Toronto Camera Club is holding its annual exhibition at the rooms of the Club in the Forum building, Yonge street A large number of very lovely prints are to be seen, many of them from the United States, and the very excellent ones by our local photographers are particularly interesting. The exhibition lasts all this week, and is open afternoons and evenings freely to the public.

Mr. Complin of the Bank of Commerce leaves shortly for the frozen North, the Bank of Commerce, Dawson City, being his destination.

Miss Scott of Port Hope is a guest of the Misses Montgomery, Huron street.

Mr. Ralph K. Burgess, jr., of the Onta-rio Bank, son of Mr. Ralph K. Burgess of Rosedale, was married on Wednesday of this week to Miss Beth Bailey of Goderich, where the marriage took place at the bride's home. The happy couple left mmediately for a honeymoon, after which they will reside in Toronto.

Sir Frank Smith, whose illness has caused many thoughtful enquiries, is, I hear, somewhat better and likely to be soon himself again.

Mr. Cassels of the Bank of Hamilton has been promoted to a position in the branch of that bank at Milton.

General Hutton is now in the Lower Provinces, accompanied by Capt. Bell, A. D. C., and Capt. Macdonell of the R. R. C. I. at Fredericton. They will spend some three weeks moose hunting.

Mr. Hardwell of the Intercolonial was in town last week. Mrs. Hardwell, who has not been very strong, is under the doctor's care in Bellevue private hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Gash have

returned from an enjoyable visit to New York and Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Graham of Toronto

Junction have closed their house for the winter and taken apartments over the Molson's Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Graham have both been laid up, Mrs. Graham with an attack of la grippe.

Miss Mowat gave the dinner dance last night to the dancers who have under the kind management of Mrs. Nordheimer inaugurated this very bright and congenial fashion. D'Alesandro's men played in the ball-room for the young people. The dinners were at Rosedale House, at Glenedyth, at Mrs. MacMahon's and Mrs.

Mrs. Suydam's tea next Wednesday will be in honor of her two sisters, the bride that is, and the bride that is to be. Mr. and Mrs. Barnard are living for the win-ter at the Rossin, where Mrs. Barnard receives on January 11 and 12. The bridal party to take part in Miss Nell's wedding will all be here for the tea, with Dr. and Mrs. Coldham and other relatives from Toledo. Mrs. Suydam's own sweet cordial welcome will be a pleasure for those who are bidden to this interesting festivity.

Miss Bessie Macdonald gives a progressive euchre next Tuesday evening for young people. Yesterday she gave an afternoon euchre for married ladies.

On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon: Mrs. Powell of College street gave teas in honor of her daughter's coming-out, and presented the smiling debutante to her many friends. Mrs. Powell wore a pretty black grenadine dress over a square-necked bodice of black silk, with a touch of cerise for garniture. Miss Powell was in cream silk striped with pale pink. At the tea-table pretty Miss Gourlay, in a green silk blouse and black skirt, manipu-lated the cups and saucers, assisted by Miss Score, a bright young lady in a pretty rose silk blouse, Miss Payne, in white silk and lace, and several others. The buffet was prettily set and adorned ith roses. Miss Powell is a bright young lady, a sophomore of Victoria College.

Miss Mowat's dance for her niece. Mis Biggar, was one of the brightest parties UIIISIMAS PIESEIIIS ever given at Government House. The ball-room itself, with its new walls of white and gold, was an improvement, and the music was simply immense. The dais upon which the orchestra sat was beautifully decorated with palms and ferns. The conservatory was dimly lighted, and the drawing-rooms brilliant and tastefully arranged. Supper was served in the dining-room, and the whole evening was most delightful. Miss Mowat and her sister-in-law received the guests most cordially, Miss Biggar, with her fresh young beauty, being a debutante they were justly proud of. Sir Oliver was not able to be downstairs, but as the dance was not in any way other than a small private function it was not expected His Honor would tax his strength to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker are living at 55 Walmer road, where Mrs. Walker (nee Newbigging) receives on Fridays. Mrs. Clarkson Jones' tea for the introduction of her daughter, Miss Daisy, was the function par excellence of Wednesday afternoon. Music, flowers and a thoroughly homelike and cordial atmosphere, with a large family circle to look after the guests, were the ingredients for success of this charming tea.

Mr. "Dick" Kenny, captain of the champion Rough Riders of Ottawa, is in town attending the O.R.F.U. meeting. He will be banqueted here to-night by a number of admiring friends. Mr. Kenny is a very popular young man and has a large circle of friends here.

Miss Maude Godson is visiting in Mitchell, the guest of Mrs. F. J. Ross.

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regular hours for work each day, during which hours they produced a given quantity daily, one being Sir Walter Besant and the other Anthony Trollope. The average writer of note is not methodical, nearly all of them requiring some special circumstances or surroundings to inspire them, as in the case of selves on record as being able to fix George Eliot, who did most of her writing sitting tailor-fashion with a pad of paper on her knees. Mr. Swinburne has said that he gains inspiration for his poems whilst swimming, or walking against the

Francois Coppée is never happy with his loved cats to bear him company; and Bret Harte, when the "writing fit" is on him, packs up a few belongings and buries himself in the heart of the country where there is nothing more disturbing than a cow. Here, with a cigar in his mouth and plenty more at hand, his pen runs fluently enough, when once it is started. He confesses, however, that his first line has often outlasted his first eigar. Mr. Hardy is, like so many writers, a creature of moods. For days he cannot touch a pen but when the mood seizes him it rules him like a tyrant. From early morning until late at night he drives his pen in a race against his fancy until he drops from

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Speaking of Mr. Kipling's new book, The Day's Work, which will be a very popular gift book for the holidays, one critic says that it is more than a collection of its author's latest stories-it is an al most perfect picture of Kipling's powers Each side of his many-sided genius finds expression there. Each reader will find in it examples of the special work which makes him like Kipling better than any other living writer. But, as a whole, the tales are not of so popular a character as some of his earlier work, and "love interest" is lacking in most of them.

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the Ontario Historical Society, has just been published by William Briggs. It is a drama of the great Indian chief, Brant. In a preface, the author says: "With a life so brimful of stirring and of pregnant adventure such as Brant's, the difficulty of making a selection of incidents which should at once, with adequacy, typify the man, and interest and divert the reader, will, I imagine, be frankly recognized." The author, however, shows a most thorough acquaintance with the life and times of Brant, and has probably chosen his material wisely. We cannot do better than reproduce here Scene 2 of Act. II. : PLACE: The Mohawk Valley-Council Room at Johnson Hall.

TIME: July, 1772. wernor Tryon discovered seated on a raised platform, Sir Wm. Johnson, by invitation, filling a place at his side; a number of Indian warriors and women occupying benches in the body of the room. Thayendaneges, coming forward from amongst the male element, addresses the Governor. Thay. Come I before you, Sire, as deputy Of our much-injured Mohawks, to submit

Their case (the controversy represents The simmering of half a century) Pour in your Excellency's benign ear Chapter of wrongdoing, by all adjudged A crying grievance; troub'e this which steals All pleasure from the chase-provides, at night The uninviting fabric of our dreams; A not to be unsaddled incubus. Relate the linked occurrences to our Tribe's footing as a land proprietor Without assent nay—even privity, Of leagued sachems, a formality

Required to legalize a transfer; plied With drink the sellers previously had been (A doltish, irresponsible quintette)
By one George Klock, an odious go between Tracts near Canajoharie-long time dubbed The Planting-Grounds," in common parlar

Obtained from us by Philip Livingston Collins, a land surveyor, presently— To aggravate our hardship—undertook T'increase the boundaries materially; Achievement—to evade our vigilance— Compassed by stealth, upon a moonlight tour Claiming the ampler premises to be Th' original dimensions of the grant. The Congress, afterwards (let me say here The complet in its full enormity Was not revealed for nearly twenty years) Asked to explore that cave of guilt—inspect That slough of turpitude—reported that The maudlin transferors no status had Th' estate to alienate. Accepted this By chief successor of the patentee; But there being infant beirs, not competent To voice their wish, things hung in abeyance Till German settlers kan to squat upon The questioned lands. Our "Castles," here, to

Due recognition as their overlords Collection pressed from these of stated rent. In money this long paid, or money's worth. The younger Livingston, to complicate Affairs, tried to eject our husbandmen; While Klock-the saeaking mongrel at his

Formed from his facile graduation as A scoundrel: fresh-ass ciling, with a more Unstituted use of liquor, new-found dupes, Prevailed upon them to relinquish rights. By all possessed, in common, in the block Admitting thus the sale's validity Wringing, besides, confirmatory deed Unto himself and fit associate. Later, to do him justice, Livingston When were elicited the naked facts, Fully exposed the glaring roguery— Before a Council specially convened A proper willingness displayed to bow To its nofavorable arbitrament; But Kock, who had acquired part ownership, Flatly refuses to undo his fraud. Wherefore, we trust your Excellency's power Will be excreted to recover that, Which your mild predecessor, Monckton, held To 've been most shamefully, most wickedly, Purioined; that you'll be swift to imprecate Torrential evil on that guil-ful class Of pale-face ruffl ans tof whom this Klock's The loathsome archetype) who trap-delude Be jagged slugs of obloq iy at those (Klock most malodorous of the harpy spawn, None of the genus so insatiate: Whose unclean, lawless trade it is to steep Too yielding brains in brandy's poisonou-

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William George Jordan, editor of the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post, has written an interesting article on the

boy, a modern Sir Galahad-clean in mind | manufacture of works of fiction. He says that ordinary writers merely play ingeni-

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lowing examples:

(I) Given a rich English Squire, childless, with two nephews. On the night of his sixty-eighth birthday he is found murdered in his bed. His will, dated that day, bequeathes the estate to the nephew he detested.

Query.—Did this nephew forge the will and murder the old man? If not, then explain the circumstantial evidence.

(2) Two sisters, Rose and Pink, are in love with Prince Zebidee. Rose is good, Pink is wicked; the Prince loves Rose. Pink sends him forged letters and other regulation matter purporting to come from Rose.

Query.—How will Pink's treachery be discovered, and the clouds of unhappiness roll by for Rose!

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roll by for Rose?
(3) In order to gain the heart and hand of Sir hornfield, Lady Frizzle, aged about forty-six, sguises herself as a beautiful young maiden

disguises herself as a beautiful young maiden of seventeen.

Query.—Will he love her after he discovers her perfidy; and if so, how much? Will the critics call it a strong, powerful novel, original in plot and character; and if so, (w) hy?

(4) The infant daughter of the Marquis de Villiers is stolen from her home. Twenty years after, a band of gypsics encamp near the palatial residence of the Marquis. He has just died, and another is to gain the heritage.

Query.—How will the author bring the gypsy girl into the palace and checkmate the false heir in three moves?

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Mr. Jordan follows this up by saying that the question of originality thus lies to a great extent with the individual writer. "Chess and checkers," he says may be played on the same board, but the games are widely different. Life is the wide board upon which the novelist has to play, and with pieces whose charac ters and powers change with every move, influenced and controlled by past, present and future, so that the combinations are

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Studio and Gallery:

a letter recently received by F. McGillivray Knowles, Clement Heaton, the inventor of the "cloisonné mosaic," speaks of the in-creasing appreciation of this most dignified and classic form of decora-tion. To those not familiar with this as yet comparatively unknown method of decoration it may be well to explain it omewhat. On a foundation of copper or zinc is outlined a design which is permanently traced with wire composed of a composition of manganese, copper and brass soldered to the foundation. Into the paces outlined by the wire is placed and colored as desired to realize the design. This is left to harden, after which the surface is rendered perfectly smooth. Clement Heaton has executed some of the most exquisite designs in this most durable medium, a notable one being in the private chapel of the Duke of Westminster. He has since placed ome of it in the New Parliament House and the Historical Museum at Berne, also in the Swiss Historical Museum at Zurich. The museums of France, Germany and Austria have also examples of his work. The Society of Decorators in Paris has also endorsed it. The agent for the Tiffany glass has introduced it elsewhere. The promoters of the Exposition of 1900 in Paris mean to give Mr. Heaton a corridor to himself to decorate. Next the subject, all of which goes to prove that this system is found in very good company. It is, no doubt, par excellence, the treatment for walls-durable, desirable for sanitary reasons, eminently artistic, a most worthy form of decoration. It is not intended to take the place of mural decoration, but to accompany it. Expensive? Yes, most good things are expensive in the beginning, but cheap in the end. Several excellent examples of this work may be seen any Saturday afternoon in Mr. Knowles' studio, 144 Yonge street. A large vase there should certainly be made the property of this city and housed in a public museum, and some trays, which would be acquisitions to any private collection, as well. Mr. Knowles made himself familiar while in Switzerland with all the details of the system.

Mrs. Reid's pictures, which were exhibited at Matthews' Gallery, will be on view in her studio, Room V, Yonge street Arcade, during the Saturdays of December, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The following artists opened their studios to the public after 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon last, and will do so again on the first Saturdays of January, February and March: William Armstrong, 66 King street east; G. Bruenech, Union Loan Building, Toronto street; F. M. Bell-Smith, 326 Jarvis street; Mrs. Dig-nam, 275 St. George street; E. Wyly Grier, Imperial Bank Chambers; Miss Haggerty, York Chambers, Toronto street: Miss Hemming, 582 Church street; Mc Gillivray Knowles, 141 Yonge street; Miss May Martin, 110 Crescent road, Rosedale; Miss M. Cary McConnell, 3 King street east; L. R. O'Brien, 20 College street; O. P. Staples, Maitland place; Miss Windeat, 45 Cecil street; Woman's Art Association, Room 89 Canada Life Building, King street west. This list is subject to change.

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Miss McConnell excels, however, in portadinac abounds in strong, rich color and traiture, of which there were several good bride. is full of the poetry of early evening, examples. Miss Irvine's ceramic art is Several smaller pieces have all the charm of sentiment, of suggestiveness, of harmony, which is a characteristic of all Mr. greens and yellows, which seemed blended O'Brien's work.

The sketch exhibition, or part of it, is now en route to Kingston, thence to go to Montreal. Two tangible features of it have been good atendance and small financial returns. That these two facts co-exist argues some weakness in the financial arrangements difficult to explain. Had it been a circus we might have surmised some crawling under the canvas. Whether or not it is wise to have a fee so easily walked around or over, and which shuts out many of those to whom marble which has been pounded to a pulp alone the exhibition is of service, viz., and colored as desired to realize the destance of the exhibition is of service, viz., and colored as desired to realize the destance of the exhibition is of service, viz., and colored as desired to realize the destance of the exhibition is of service, viz., and colored as desired to realize the destance of the exhibition is of service, viz., and colored as desired to realize the destance of the exhibition is of service. the W. A. A. to discuss. We quite sympathize with the effort to keep away from the exhibition, as far as possible, the flavor of the bargain counter, or the place where so much is insistently forced upon the victim who fain would give a fair return for his goods. It really is nice to be permitted to purchase these days and still maintain one's self-respect.

In an ideal studio overlooking some of the lovely ravines of Rosedale, in sight of hills and valleys and trees of many characters and a broad expanse of sky, Miss S. Strickland Tully, A.R.C.A., pursues the art she loves so well. Sky is expensive in Toronto, very expensive. It is a luxury month's Studio is to contain an article on it is a great developer of the asthetic nature. Behind Miss Tully is an ancestry of culture, around her has been an atmosphere of culture, and before is a promise of ever increasing art culture. Her most recent years have been spent in study in England and Paris. M. Legros of the Slade School, London; M. Benjamin Constant, an Orientalist in art; M. Borde, historical artist; T. Robert Fleury and Gustave Courtois in portraiture, have all assisted in her art education. These advantages, combined with much natural ability and constant application, are recognized materials for the making of an artist. We expect to find Miss Tully an important factor in art progress in Toronto, possessed as she is of a liberal and progressive mind. She expects to have a working studio in company with her sister, Miss L. Beresford Tully, a pupil of the South Kensington School, in wood carving, in the Yonge street Arcade.

T. Mower Martin, O.S.A., is still continuing his visit to the Coast. In addition to gathering material he has, at the request of local art organizations, lectured several times. His class in Bloor street Presbyterian College is in the meantime under the charge of his daughter, Miss May Martin, who is at present conducting all the branches, including ceramic art. Miss Martin is a member of the Ontario Society of Artists, and has been an exhibitor at all the exhibitions held here of recent years. She is a conscientious artist, much in love with her art, and we do not doubt will be able to stimulate the pupils under her charge in the college.

Evidently the business aspect of school decoration is commending itself to dealers in art. It has been the custom for sometime in Chicago and Boston to hold annual exh bitions of objects not considered in the by gone days essential to school education, which are now in demand for school decoration. Had such an exhibition been held in the not very long ago we might have expected it to have consisted largely of rawhides, leather, blackboards, maps, grotesque representations of animals, etc., and last, but by no means least effectual, human skeletons, which, if they could really be said to be full of anything, were certainly full of suggestion. It would be very interesting to know what are considered in the present day the proper ac-companiments of school education. We understand that such a display is shortly to be given in Toronto. We shall welcome it most heartily.

Quite a large and varied display of work Quite a large and varied display of work of Miss M. Cary McConnell and Miss Irvine, and their pupils, was on view at they were forgiven, perhaps for the reason one girl gave, "They do dance so well."

Some bright damsel suddenly remembered that the train did not go through. But they were forgiven, perhaps for the reason one girl gave, "They do dance so well."

Bob "looked at it and weighed it in his their formal opening on Saturday last. The water-color sketches and the antique of the pupils evidenced real interest in all and special ability in some. Some flower studies of Miss McConnell's were the best we have seen from her brush. A few

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and melted together and apparently into the material, was as delightful as any underglaze ware, and shone and glistened until Christmas.

Miss G. Spurr, O S.A., who has recently returned from England, where she has been studying for the past year, has brought with her a whole district of country, embracing rolling extensive heaths, quaint old cottages, farms and homesteads, windmills and chapels, rocky shore and peaceful harbor, Scotch lassies and "caller herrin," pine woods and poetic lanes, all transplanted from Surrey and Yorkshire. They have lost little in the transplanting, but come with a fullness of detail, truthfulness of color and accuracy of motive which maintain their identity unmistakably. They are the result of much conscientious labor. Miss Spurr is a gracious and sweet little lady, and will be sure to show you her pos-sessions should you call at her home, Gerrard street, I venture to suggest any Saturday afternoon.

Six cases of new casts have just arrived for the use of the students in the Central Ontario School of Art and Design.

JEAN GRANT. Weddings and Festivities.

HE bachelors' of St. Thomas annual ball was quite the event of the season, and, being held the night before Thanksgiving, brought in a great many outsiders who otherwise would have been unable to

attend. The bachelors should certainly be congratulated on their success. Everything went off beautifully, and everyone had a "perfectly glorious time," which said "glorious time" lasted, by the way, until the wee sma' hours. The gowns were lovely, and so were the faces. Certainly St. Thomas girls were never seen to greater advantage than when gliding around in the mazy waltz and two-step, to the en-chanting strains of the London harpers. Of course the floor was perfect, and they say that there are few floors in Western Ontario that come up to that of the Grand Central. I may say I can't remember dancing on a better one. Among the St. Thomas girls Miss Southwick, in pale green silk that suggested Detroit, looked lovely; Miss Nichol, in white organdie over green silk, was charming; Miss Ada Arkell, in pink organdie, was much admired; handsome Mrs. Travers, in a stunning gown of pale blue satin, as usual looked charming; Miss Farley, in white, Miss Kairs, also in white, and Miss Babbit, in pink and black, were a dainty trio; Miss Green looked unusually well in a gown of the purest white; pretty Miss Pauly was a dream in yellow silk trimmed with tiny rows of black velvet; Miss Laycock wore yellow organdie, trimmed with white baby ribbon; Miss Ermatinger looked very pretty in white; Miss Arkell looked very well in black and green. Among the outsiders were Miss Emily Bellor, a charming visitor from London, looking lovely in pale green satin, trimmed with white chiffon and green ribbons; Miss Moore of London looked well in black silk; Miss Parfit wore blue silk; Miss Scatcherd of London was radiant in pink organdie: Mrs. Spry of Chatham (nee Rich) looked lovely in white satin. Among the men were Mr. Kelsey, Mr. Laycock and Mr. Richardson, Toronto; Mr. Thompson, Prescott; Mr. Paterson, Tilbury; Mr. R. Arkell, Essex; Dr. Arkell, Belmont; Mr. Bray, Chatham; Messrs, Gilmore, Hammond, Beers, Bayly, Reid, Toller, Cotton and Skinner of London. Three of the London men arrived in tweed suits. Many were the conjectures as to the reason, but when they explained that their dress suit cases had gone on to Port Stanley it was, of course, understood and believed, until some bright damsel suddenly remembered I hear there is talk of another ball.

A most delightful ball was given in Belleville on Thanksgiving night at the feed the horses. just returned from Germany, where she has been for three years. The floor was driver. in perfect order for dancing, and "It's an orchestra provided excellent music. Mrs. McMahon received in a handsome black lace gown; Miss McMahon wore white silk and looked very charming. Among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Corby, Miss Helen Corby, Miss A. Corby, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lazier, Mr. and Mrs. Lyons Biggar, Miss Falkiner, Mr. and Mrs. Burton (Toronto), Miss Nora Bell, Mrs. Davy, Miss Davy, Miss Hamilton (Peterborough). Mrs. C. D. McCaulay, Miss Ross, Mr. G. Big ar (Toronto), Mr. G. G. Duncan (Woodstock), Mr. Cutler (Toronto), Messrs. Tait, O'Flynn, Laidlaw, Moss, Biggar, McColl, Evans, and many

Mrs. J. J. Grafton received at Lawn View, Dundas, Ont., on Thursday and Friday of last week, both afternoon and evening. The lovely home was brilliantly lighted and looked very attractive. The dining - room, furnished elegantly mahogany, was exquisitely decorated in white and Nile green, with white flowers, the effect being very beautiful. A pair of handsome silver candelabra, a gift to Captain Grafton from his employees, adorned the polished table, which was loaded with dainty refreshments for the many guests. The bride received in a trained gown of white moire, which was particularly becoming to her slender figure. After an absence of several years in California, Mrs. Grafton greatly enjoyed meeting her old schoolmates and friends and making new acquaintances. Mrs. Hastings of Toronto, Mrs. Harper of Dundas, Mrs. Livingston and Miss Tel. 2275, 3553.

The marriage of Miss Maude McFee, youngest daughter of Mr. Allan McFee of Belleville, to Mr. S. S. Bongard of Toronto took place at the residence of the bride's father at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 24. The officiating clergyman was Rev. C. E. McIntyre of Bridge street Methodist church. The witnesses of the ceremony were limited to only the immediate relatives. The bride was becom ingly attired in a handsome traveling suit of Kitchener blue broadcloth with toque to match, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Mabel Sills, who was gowned in a blue tailor-made costume and carried chrysan-themums, and little Miss Vera Borbridge, niece of the bride, in pale green silk, carried a basket of pink roses. The groomsman was Mr. Harry Hamin. The parlors were artistically decorated with palms, smilax and flowers. After the ceremony and congratulations a dainty dejeuner was served, followed by the usual toasts, after which the happy couple left on the 5.20 train for the West. The popularity of the young couple was attested by the great number of beautiful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Bongard have taken up their residence at 226 Jarvis street, and were At Home to their friends after December 5.

The young ladies of St. Cecilia's choir of Loretto Abbey gave a very enjoyable concert and banquet last Saturday. It took place in the spacious hall, about forty of the young ladies, habited in the trim black uniform, taking part. The pianists of the evening were: Miss Edith Mason, who impressed one as being thoroughly mistress of her instrument; Miss Rena DeVan, a very brilliant player; and Misses Mabel Phalen, B. Olivier, and Cecil Mc-Kenna, all excellent intrepreters of the fine old masterpieces. Miss Marie Mc Guire sang St. Cecilia's hymn very sweet ly, the choir joining in the chorus. Miss Ruby Shea, who possesses a beautiful contralto, sang two selections; Miss Mangan, The Angel's Serenade, accompanied by Miss Mignonne Parkes on the violin. The programme concluded with The Andalu sian Waltz by three violins, three mando lins and piano, a soprano solo by Miss Flannigan and a duet, Maying. Miss Gwendoline Jones was the accompanist of the evening. After God Save the Queen the company retired to discuss the daint ies spread in the new recreation hall.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place on Thursday afternoon, December 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Cronkrite of Cecil street, when their only daughter, Helena, was married to Mr. Charles E. Warnock of this city by Rev. W. H. Hincks, LL.B. The bride wore a charming gown of hunter's green, with green velvet and white satin trimmings, and carried a shower bouquet of cream roses. On her bodice sparkled a beautiful pendant studded with pearls, opals and diamonds, the gift of the groom. The bridesmaid, Miss Gertrude Stead of 93 Hazelton avenue, was costumed in royal blue, with black satin folds and cream satin and pearl trimmings, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Mr. H. F. Schmidt of Sebring-ville was the groomsman. After a dainty dejeuner the happy couple left for Buffalo and other eastern cities.

"Me and Frank."

Years ago, when Frank Parmelee was running his 'bus line in Chicago (says the Record), he had a driver named "Bob," and he had his suspicions that he wasn' getting all the fares he was entitled to "Bob" had a habit of talking to himself, and one night Parmelee caught him in the stable reckoning up the day's proceeds. He had emptied his buckskin bag out on a sack of oats, and was stacking up silver dollars in two piles.

'Here's a dollar for me, and here's a dollar for Frank," he said, "and a dollar for me and a dollar for Frank."

He kept on this way until he had all the money equally divided, with a dollar over. hand.

"Shall I keep it!" he says to himself "no, I'll let Frank have it. He has to

Hotel Quinte by Mrs. Eugene McMahon for her daughter, Miss Kathleen, who has gathered in the whole pot. Next he pro-Parmelee broke in on him then, and ceeded to talk kindly but firmly to his

"It's a good thing you had some glim merings of conscience remaining, you in-fernal old scoundrel," he said; "if you hadn't turned over that odd dollar, I'd have fired you, sure.



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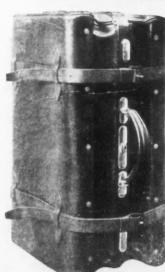
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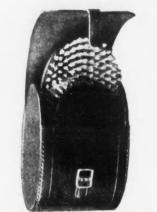


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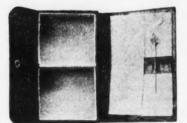




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